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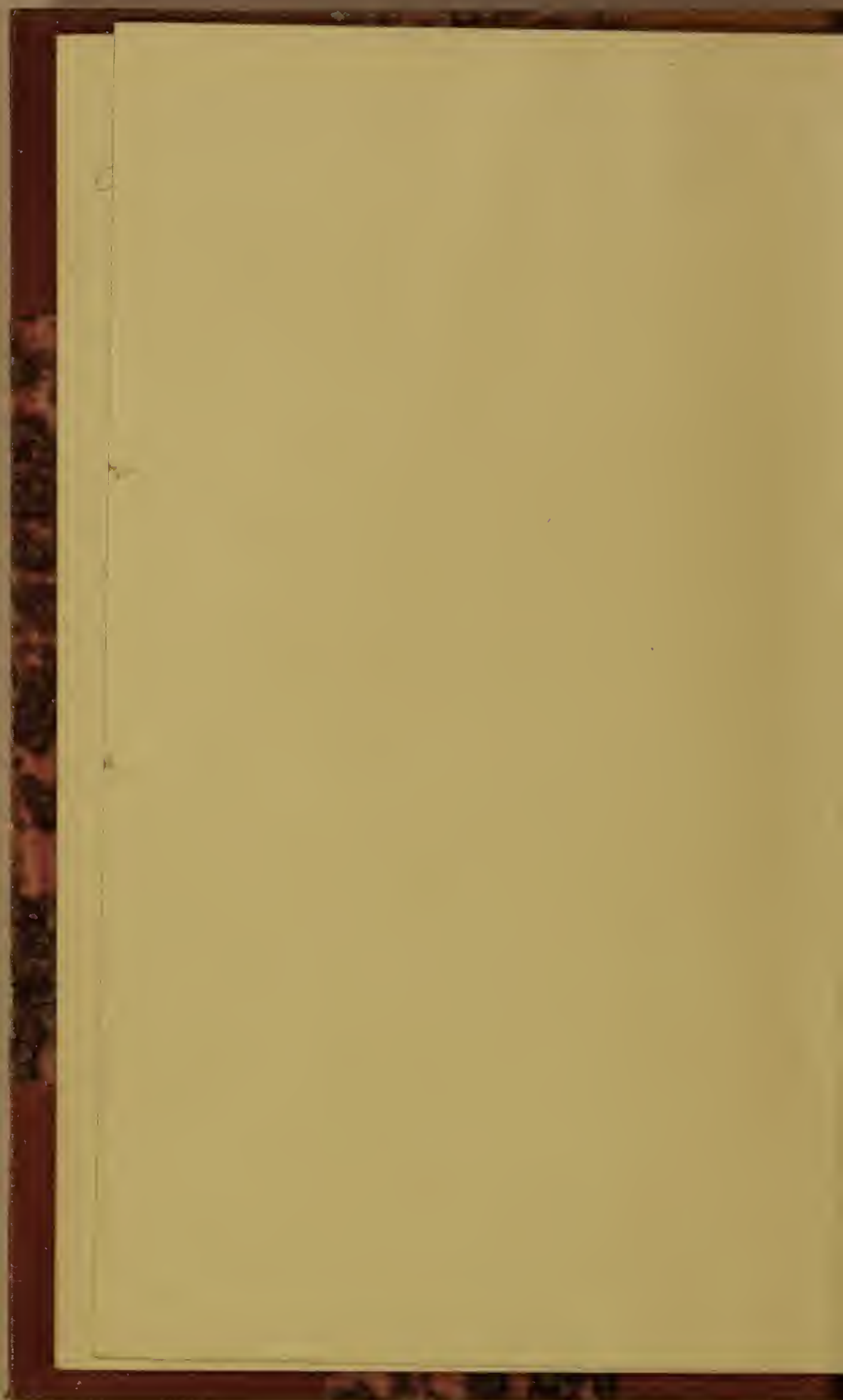
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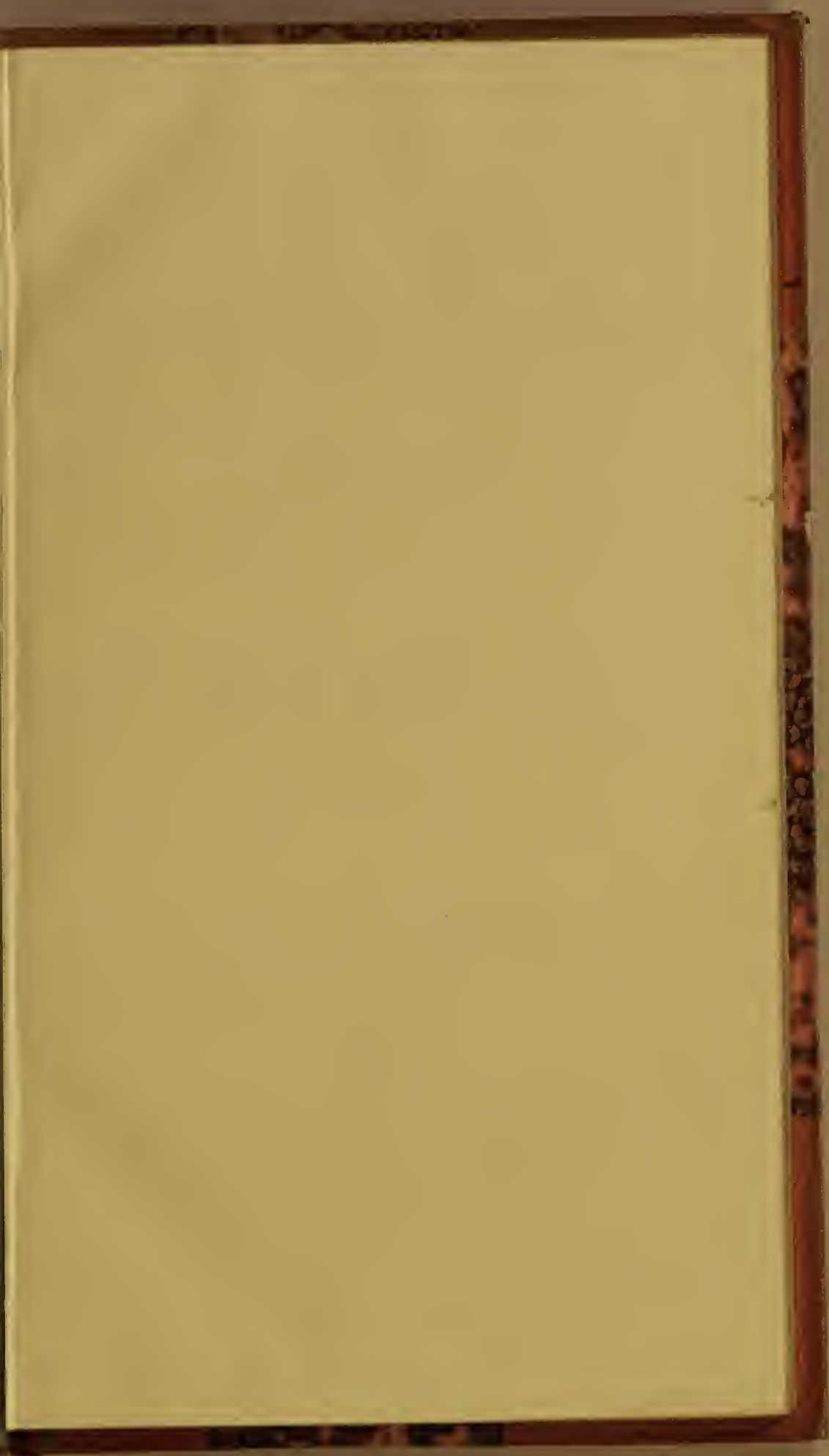


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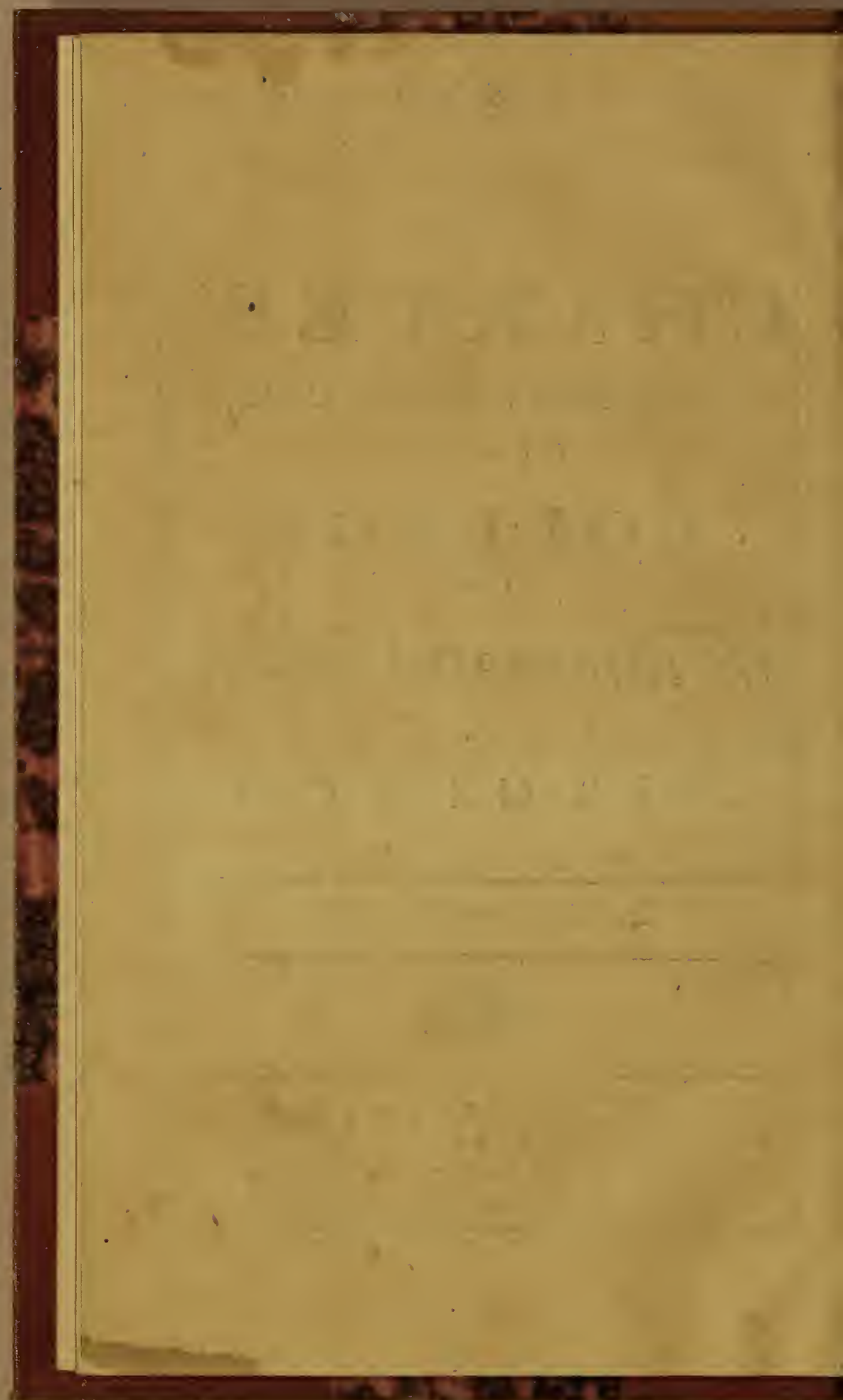
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THE
CHARTER,
TRANSFER *and* STATUTES,
OF THE
COLLEGE
OF
William and Mary,
IN
VIRGINIA:

In *Latin* and *English*.



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CHARTA COLLEGII

Gulielmi & Mariæ,

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VIRGINIA.



GULIELMUS & MARIA, Dei Gratia, *Angliæ, Scotiæ, Franciæ, & Hiberniæ*, Rex & Regina, Fidei Defensores, &c. omnibus ad quos præsentis Litteræ nostræ pervenerint, salutem.

Cum perdilecti & fideles subditi nostri constituentes conventum generalem *Coloniæ nostræ Virginie*, in animo habuerint, & sibi proposuerint, quo ecclesia *Virginienfis* ministrorum evangelii seminario suppetetur, juvenus in bonis moribus & literis pie educetur, et fides Christiana apud *Indos Occidentales* propagetur, in gloriam Dei Omnipotentis, facere, fundare, & stabilire quoddam studium generale, sive collegium perpetuum s. sanctæ theologiæ, philosophiæ, linguarum aliarumque bonarum artium & scientiarum, de uno præside, sex magistris

THE
CHARTER of the COLLEGE
OF
William *and* Mary,
IN
VIRGINIA.

WILLIAM and MARY, *by the Grace of God, of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, King and Queen, Defenders of the Faith, &c. To all to whom these our present Letters shall come, Greeting.*

Forasmuch as our well-beloved and faithful Subjects, constituting the General-Assembly of our Colony of Virginia, have had it in their Minds, and have proposed to themselves, to the End that the Church of Virginia may be furnished with a Seminary of Ministers of the Gospel, and that the Youth may be piously educated in good Letters and Manners, and that the Christian Faith may be propagated amongst the Western Indians, to the Glory of Almighty God; to make, found, and establish a certain Place of universal Study, or perpetual College of Divinity, Philosophy, Lan-

magistris seu professoribus, & centum scholaribus, pluribus seu paucioribus, secundum dicti collegii facultatem, & statuta ejusdem, per quosdam fiduciarios a conventu generali prædicto, nominatos, & electos, viz. fideles & dilectos *Franciscum Nicholson*, vice-gubernatorem nostrum in coloniis nostris *Virginiae* & *Terræ-Mariæ*, *Gulielmum Cole*, *Rodolphum Wormley*, *Gulielmum Byrd*, & *Joannem Lear*, Armigeros; *Jacobum Blair*, *Joannem Farnifold*, *Stephanum Fouace*, & *Samuelem Gray*, Clericos; *Thomam Milner*, *Christophorum Robinson*, *Carolum Scarborough*, *Joannem Smith*, *Benjaminum Harrison*, *Milesum Cary*, *Henricum Hartwell*, *Gulielmum Randolph*, & *Mattheum Page*, Generosos, vel majorem partem eorundem, vel eorum diutius viventium, inde faciend' augend' minuend' vel mutand' super *australem* partem fluminis cujusdam communiter vocati *York River*, vel alibi, ubi ipsi conventui generali magis videbitur expedire, intra coloniam nostram *Virginiae*, perpetuis futuris temporibus sustinend' & alend'.

Power granted to the Trustees to found the College.

I. Cumque etiam per dilectus & fidelis conventus generalis coloniae nostrae *Virginiae*, prædictae, per dilectum nobis in Christo, *Jacobum Blair* clericum, agentem suum legitime

guages, and other good Arts and Sciences, consisting of one President, six Masters or Professors, and an Hundred Scholars, more or less, according to the Ability of the said College, and the Statutes of the same; to be made, encreased, diminished, or changed there, by certain Trustees, nominated and elected by the General-Assembly aforesaid; to wit, our faithful and well-beloved Francis Nicholson, our Lieutenant-Governor in our Colonies of Virginia and Maryland, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, William Byrd, and John Lear, Esquires; James Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and Samuel Gray, Clerks; Thomas Milner, Christopher Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Miles Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph, and Matthew Page, Gentlemen, or the major Part of them, or of the longer Livers of them, on the South Side of a certain River, commonly called York River, or elsewhere, where the General-Assembly itself shall think more convenient, within our Colony of Virginia, to be supported and maintained, in all Time coming.

I. And forasmuch as our well-beloved and trusty the General-Assembly of our Colony of Virginia aforesaid, has humbly supplicated us, by our well-beloved in Christ, James Blair,

legitime constitutum, humillime supplicaverit quatenus nos præfatis *Francisco Nicholson, Gulielmo Cole, Rodolpho Wormley, Gulielmo Byrd, & Joanni Lear*, Armigeris; *Jacobo Blair, Joanni Farnifold, Stephano Fouace, & Samueli Gray*, Clericis; *Thomæ Milner, Christophoro Robinson, Carolo Scarborough, Joanni Smith, Benjamino Harrison, Milesio Cary, Henrico Hartwell, Gulielmo Randolph, & Mattheo Page*, Generosis, non tantum ad collegium prædictum faciend' fundand' erigend' & stabiliend' licentiam regiam nostram, sed etiam gratiam & munificentiam nostram regiam, in erectione & fundatione collegii prædicti, gratiose concedere & extendere dignaremur, in talibus modo & forma qual' nobis melius videbitur expedire: Nos præmissa prædicta serio considerantes, & intime quantum in nobis est veram philosophiam, cæterasque bonas & liberales artes ac scientias promoveri, & fidem Christianam orthodoxam propagari cupientes; & volentes ut de cætero in perpetuum unum tale habeatur collegium, sive Studium generale, & certus ac indubitatus modus in eodem collegio, de, pro, & in regimine & gubernatione ejusdem, & magistrorum seu professorum, & scholarium, ac omnium aliorum ibidem habitantium & commoranti-
um,

Blair, Clerk, *their Agent duly constituted,*
That we would be pleased, not only to grant
our Royal Licence to the said Francis Nichol-
son, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, Wil-
liam Byrd, and John Lear, Esqrs; James
Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and
Samuel Gray, Clerks; Thomas Milner, Chris-
topher Robinson, Charles Scarborough,
John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Myles
Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph,
and Matthew Page, Gentlemen, or the ma-
ior Part of them, or of the longer Livers of
them, to make, found, erect, and establisb
the said College, but also to extend our Roy-
al Bounty and Munificence, towards the
Erection and Foundation of the said College,
in such Way and Manner, as to us shall seem
most expedient: We taking the Premisses se-
riously into our Consideration, and earnestly
desiring, that as far in us lies, true Phi-
losophy, and other good and liberal Arts
and Sciences may be promoted, and that the
Orthodox Christian Faith may be propaga-
ted: And being desirous, that for ever here-
after, there should be one such College, or
Place of universal Study, and some certain and
undoubted Way within the said College, for
the Rule and Government of the same, and
of the Masters or Professors, and Scholars,
and all others inhabiting and residing there-

um, & ut collegium illud perpetuis futuris temporibus sit & remaneat, de gratia nostra speciali, ac ex certa scientia & mero motu nostris, concessimus & licentiam dedimus, ac per præsentes concedimus & licentiam damus, pro nobis hæredibus & successoribus nostris, quantum in nobis est præfatis *Francisco Nicholson, Gulielmo Cole, Rodolpho Wormley, Gulielmo Byrd, & Joanni Lear*, Armigeris; *Jacobo Blair, Joanni Farnifold, Stephano Fouace, & Samueli Gray*, Clericis; *Thomæ Milner, Christophoro Robinson, Carolo Scarborough, Joanni Smith, Benjamino Harrison, Milesio Cary, Henrico Hartwell, Gulielmo Randolph, & Matthæo Page*, Generosis, ut ipsi sive major Pars eorum sive eorum diutius viventium, ad studia veræ philosophiæ, linguarum, cæterarumque aliarum bonarum artium & scientiarum, promovenda, & purum Christi unici mediatoris nostri evangelium propagandum, in laudem & honorem Dei Omnipotentis, quoddam Studium generale, sive Collegium perpetuum sacro sanctæ theologiæ, philosophiæ, linguarum & aliarum bonarum artium & scientiarum, de uno præfide, sex magistris sive professoribus, & centum scholaribus, pluribus vel paucioribus, graduatis & non-graduatis, ut prædictum est, juxta ejusdem collegii ordinationes

in, and that the said College should subsist and remain in all Time coming; of our special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, HAVE GRANTED and given Leave, and by these Presents do grant and give Leave, for us, our Heirs and Successors, as much as in us lies, to the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, William Byrd, and John Lear, Esqs; James Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and Samuel Gray, Clerks; Thomas Milner, Christopher Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Miles Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph, and Matthew Page, Gentlemen, That they or the major Part of them, or of the longer Livers of them, for promoting the Studies of true Philosophy, Languages, and other good Arts and Sciences, and for Propagating the pure Gospel of Christ, our only Mediator, to the Praise and Honor of Almighty God, may have Power to erect, found, and establish a certain Place of universal Study, or perpetual College, for Divinity, Philosophy, Languages, and other good Arts and Sciences, consisting of One President, Six Masters or Professors, and an Hundred Scholars, more or less, Graduates and Non-Graduates, as abovesaid, according to the Statutes and Orders of the said College, to be made, appointed, and established upon the Place by the said

tiones & statuta per ipsos *Franciscum Nicholson*, *Gulielmum Cole*, &c. sive maiorem partem eorum, in ea parte faciend' condend' statuend' & stabiliend' in quodam loco super *australem* partem fluminis *Eboracensis* vulgo vocati *York River*, super terram, nuper terram colonelli *Townsend*, defuncti, nunc in possessione *Joannis Smith*, prope portum in comitatu *Eboracensi*, per conventum generalem prædictum; constitutum vel designatum, intra prædictam coloniam nostram *Virginiae*; vel si locus iste ob insalubritatem, vel quamcunque aliam ob causam minus arrideat ubicunque alibi visum fuerit conventui generali coloniae nostrae *Virginiae*, aut majori parti eorundem, intra limites coloniae prædictae, erigere, fundare & stabilire possint & valeant, perpetuis futuris temporibus duraturum.

Power to
hold Lands,
&c. to the
Value of
£. 2000 per
Annum.

II. Et ulterius, de gratia nostra speciali, ac ex certa scientia, & mero motu nostris concessimus & licentiam dedimus, ac per presentes concedimus, & licentiam damus, pro nobis hæredibus & successoribus nostris præfatis *Francisco Nicholson*, *Gulielmo Cole*, &c. ut ipsi, sive major ipsorum pars, aut eorum diutius viventium, possint & valeant recipere, retinere, & gaudere, sintque

said Francis Nicholson William Cole, &c. or the major Part of them, upon the South Side of York River, on the Land late of Colonel Townsend, deceased, now in the Possession of John Smith, near the Port appointed or laid out for York County, by the said General Assembly, within our said Colony of Virginia; or, if by reason of Unwholsomeness, or any other Cause, the said Place shall not be approved of, wheresoever else the General Assembly of our Colony of Virginia, or the major Part of them shall think fit, within the Bounds of the aforesaid Colony, to continue for all Times coming.

II. *And further, of our special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, we HAVE GRANTED, and given Leave, and by these Presents do grant, and give Leave, for us, our Heirs and Successors, to the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, &c. that they, or the major Part of them, or of the longer Livers of them, may be enabled to take, hold, and enjoy, and that they may be Persons apt and capable*

sintque personæ aptæ & capaces in lege, ad recipiend' retinend' & gaudend' maneria, terras, tenementa, redditus, servitia, rectorias, portiones, annuitates, pensiones, & advocaciones ecclesiarum, cum omnibus aliis hæreditamentis, franchesiis & possessionibus quibuscunque tam spiritualibus, quam temporalibus, ad valorem duarum mille librarum per annum; ac omnia bona, catalla, pecunias, & statum personalem qualemcunque, de dono cujuscunque in hunc usum eadem largiri volentis; aut quæcunque dona, concessiones, assignamenta, legationes, aut appunctiones eorundem, aut cujuscunque eorum, aut aliorum bonorum qualiumcunque: Sed sub hac expressa intentione, & speciali fiducia quam in ipsis reponimus, ut ipsi præfati *Franciscus Nicholson, Gulielmus Cole*, &c. aut major pars ipsorum, aut eorum diutius viventium, capiant & recipiant præmissa, disponantque eadem, aut redditus, proventus, aut proficua eorundem, aut eorum cujuscunque, solummodo ad sustinendos sumptus impendendos, in erigendo, & aptando ædificia de & pro prædicto designato collegio, eademque libris aliisque utensilibus convenientibus adornanda aliosque sumptus ad prædictum futurum collegium pertinentes, prout ipsis, aut majori ipsorum parti maxime visum fuerit expedire, donec

præfatum

capable in Law, for taking, holding and enjoying all Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Services, Rectories, Portions, Annuities, Pensions, and Advowsons of Churches, with all other Inheritances, Franchises, and Possessions whatsoever, as well Spiritual as Temporal, to the Value of Two Thousand Pounds a Year; and all other Goods, Chattels, Monies, and Personal Estate whatsoever, of the Gift of any Person whatsoever, that is willing to bestow them for this Use; or any other Gifts Grants, Assignments, Legacies, or Appointments, of the same, or of any of them, or of any other Goods whatsoever, : But with this expresse Intention, and upon the special Trust we put in them, that they the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, &c. or the major Part of them, or of the longer Livers of them, shall take and hold the Premisses, and shall dispose of the same, and of the Rents, Revenues, or Profits thereof, or of any of them only for defraying the Charges that shall be laid out in Erecting and Fitting the Edifices of the said intended College, and furnishing them with Books, and other Utensils, and all other Charges pertaining to the said College, as they, or the major Part of them, shall think most expedient, until the said College shall be actually erected, founded, and established, and upon this Trust and Intention,

that

præfatum collegium actu erectum, fundatum & stabilitum fuerit; & sub hac fiducia ac ea intentione, ut quam primum prædictum collegium secundum propositum nostrum regium erectum & fundatum fuerit, præfati *Franciscus Nicholson, Gulielmus Cole, &c.* aut eorum diutius viventes, aut diutius vivens, & illorum, aut illius hæredes, executores, administratores, aut assignati bonis & sufficientibus scriptis & assurantibus in lege, dent, concedant & transferant, prædictis præsidi, & magistris, seu professoribus, aut eorum successoribus, eadem maneria, terras, tementa, redditus, servitia, rectorias, portiones, annuitates, pensiones, & advocaciones ecclesiarum, cum omnibus aliis hæreditamentis, Franchesiis, possessionibus, bonis, catallis, & statibus personalibus prædictis, aut tantum eorundem, quantum in erectione prædicti collegii, aut in alios usus prædictos, non antea expensum & collocatum fuerit.

BLAIR the
first Presi-
dent,

III. Cumque conventus generalis prædictus coloniae nostrae *Virginiae*, *Jacobum Blair*, clericum prædictum, tanquam personam idoneam in locum præsidis collegii prædicti, nominaverit, elegerit, aut designaverit; nos, de gratia nostra speciali, ac ex certa scientia, & mero motu nostris, prædictam nominationem, & electionem approbamus.

that so soon as the said College shall, according to our Royal Intent, be erected and founded, the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, &c. or the longer Livers or Liver of them, and their or his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, shall, by good and sufficient Deeds and Assurances in Law, Give, Grant, and Transfer to the said President and Masters, or Professors, or their Successors, the said Lands, Manors, Tenements, Rents, Services, Rectories, Portions, Annuities, Pensions, and Advowsons of Churches, with all other Inheritances, Franchises, Possessions, Goods, Chattels, and personal Estate aforesaid, or as much thereof as has not been laid out and bestowed upon the Building the said College, or to the other Uses above-mentioned.

III. And, seeing the said General Assembly of our Colony of Virginia, has named, elected, or appointed, the said James Blair, Clerk, as a fit Person to be President of the said College; We, of our special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, do approve, confirm, and ratify the said Nomination, and Election, and do by these Presents,

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probamus, confirmamus, & pro rata haberi volumus; eundemque *Jacobum Blair*, primum prædicti collegii præsidem, durante vita sua naturali facimus, creamus, & stabilimus, per presentes.

The Visitors
to chuse the
President
and Masters.

IV. Et ulterius licentiam nostram specialem concedimus præfatis *Francisco Nicholson*, *Gulielmo Cole*, &c. eorumque successoribus, aut majori ipsorum parti, aut alias personas aptas, idoneas, & habiles, in loca magistrorum, aut professorum collegii prædicti eligere & nominare possint & valeant; utque post mortem, resignationem, aut deprivationem ejusdem, præsidis, aut professorum, aut eorum cujuscunque, prædicti *Franciscus Nicholson*, *Gulielmus Cole*, &c. eorumque successores, aut major ipsorum pars, in illius, aut illorum locum, aut loca personam idoneam, aut personas idoneas, de tempore in tempus, sufficere & substituere, valeant & possint; secundum ejusdem collegii ordinationes & statuta per ipsos *Franciscum Nicholson*, *Gulielmum Cole*, &c. aut eorum successores, aut majorem partem eorundem, pro bona & salubri gubernatione ejusdem collegii, omniumque in eodem munere aliquo fungentium, aut ibidem commorantium faciend' condend' & stabiliend'.

V. Et

sents make, create, and establish the said James Blair first President of the said College, during his natural Life.

IV. *And further, we grant our special Licence to the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, &c. and their Successors, or the major Part of them, That they shall have Power to elect, and nominate other apt, fit, and able Persons, into the Places of the Masters or Professors of the said College; and that, after the Death, Resignation, or Deprivation of the said President, or Professors, or any of them, the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, &c. and their Successors, or the major Part of them, shall have Power to put in, and substitute, a fit Person, or Persons, from Time to Time, into his or their Place or Places, according to the Orders and Statutes of the said College, to be made, enacted, and established, for the good and wholesome Government of the said College, and of all that bear Office, or reside therein, by the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, &c. or their Successors, or the major Part of them.*

V. *And*

To be call-
ed *William*
and *Mary*
College, and
the Presi-
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Masters ca-
pable in
Law to hold
Lands, &c.

V. Et ulterius volumus, & pro nobis, hæ-
redibus & successoribus nostris, per præ-
sentes concedimus, ut cum predictum col-
legium sic erectum, factum, fundatum, &
stabilitum fuerit, collegium *Gulielmi & Ma-*
riæ, in *Virginia*, in perpetuum appelletur
& nuncupetur; & ut præses, & magistri,
seu professores collegii prædicti sint unum
corpus incorporatum & politicum in re, facto,
& nomine, & ut per nomen præsidis, & ma-
gistrorum, seu professorum, collegii *Guliel-*
mi & Mariæ, in *Virginia*, habeant succes-
sionem perpetuam; & ut dicti præses, &
magistri, seu professores, præses, magistri, seu
professores collegii *Gulielmi & Mariæ*, in
Virginia, in perpetuum appellentur & nun-
cupentur: Et ut dicti præses, & magistri,
seu professores, & eorum successores, per
nomen præsidis, & magistrorum, seu profes-
sorum collegii *Gulielmi & Mariæ*, in *Vir-*
ginia, sint personæ habiles, capaces, aptæ,
& perpetuæ in lege, ad requirend' & reci-
piend' dominia, maneria, terras, tenementa,
redditus, reversiones, rectorias, portiones,
pensiones, annuitates, hæreditamenta, pos-
sessiones, & servitia quæcunque, tam spiri-
tualia quam temporalia, ac omnia bona &
catalla quæcunque, tam de dono nostro,
hæredum & successorum nostrorum, quam de
donis

V. And further, we Will, and for us, our Heirs, and Successors, by these Presents, do GRANT, That when the said College shall be so erected, made, founded, and established, it shall be called and denominated, for ever, the College of William and Mary, in Virginia, and that the President and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, shall be a Body politic and incorporate, in Deed and Name; and that by the Name of the President, and Masters, or Professors, of the College of William and Mary, in Virginia, they shall have perpetual Succession; and that the said President, and Masters, or Professors, shall for ever be called and denominated the President, and Masters, or Professors, of the College of William and Mary, in Virginia: And that the said President, and Masters, or Professors, and their Successors, by the Name of the President, and Masters, or Professors, of the College of William and Mary, in Virginia, shall be Persons able, capable, apt, and perpetual in Law, to take and hold Lordships, Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Reversions, Rectories, Portions, Pensions, Annuities, Inheritances, Possessions, and Services, as well Spiritual as Temporal, whatsoever, and all Manner of Goods and Chattels, both of our Gift, and
our

donis ipsorum *Francisci Nicholson, Gulielmi Cole, Rodolphi Wormley, Gulielmi Byrd, & Joannis Lear*, Armigerorum; *Jacobi Blair, Joannis Farnifold, Stephani Fouace, & Samuelis Gray*, Clericorum, *Thomæ Milner, Christophori Robinson, Caroli Scarborough, Joannis Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Milesii Cary, Henrici Hartwell, Gulielmi Randolph, & Matthæi Page*, Generosorum, seu aliorum quorumcunque ad valorem duarum mille librarum legalis monetæ *Anglicanæ*, per annum, & non amplius, habend' & tenend' sibi & successoribus suis in perpetuum.

Under the
Name of
President
and Masters
of *William*
and *Mary*
College to
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&c.

VI. Ac etiam ut iidem præses, & magistri, seu professores, & successores eorum, per nomen præsidis, & magistrorum, seu professorum, collegii, *Gulielmi & Mariæ*, in *Virginia*, & sub eodem nomine placitare & implacitari, prosequi, defendere & defendi, respondere & responderi, possint & valeant, in omnibus & singulis causis, quærelis, actionibus realibus, personalibus, & mixtis, cujuscunque generis fuerint sive naturæ, in quibuscunque foris, curiis, & locis nostris, hæredum & successorum nostrorum, ac foris, curiis, & locis, aliorum quorumcunque, coram quibuscunque justitiariis & iudicibus ecclesiasticis & secularibus, in quibuscun-

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our Heirs and Successors, and of the Gift of the said, Francis Nicholson, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, William Byrd, and John Lear, Esqs; James Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and Samuel Gray, Clerks; Thomas Milner, Christopher Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Myles Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph; and Matthew Page, Gentlemen, or of the Gift of any other Person whatsoever, to the Value of Two Thousand Pounds of lawful Money of England, Yearly, and no more, to be had and held by them and their Successors for ever.

VI. *And also, that the said President and Masters or Professors, by and under the Name of the President and Masters or Professors of the College of William and Mary, in Virginia, shall have Power to plead, and be impleaded, to sue, and be sued, to defend, and be defended, to answer, and be answered, in all and every Cause, Complaint, and Action real, personal, and mixed, of what Kind and Nature soever they be, in whatsoever Courts and Places of Judicature belonging to us, our Heirs and Successors or to any other Person whatsoever, before all Sorts of Justices and Judges, Ecclesiastical and Temporal, in whatsoever Kingdoms, Countries, Colonies, Dominions,*

que regnis, terris, coloniis, dominationibus, aut plantationibus ad nos, aut hæredes nostros pertinentibus, ac ad ea & omnia alia & singula facienda, agenda, & recipienda, prout, & eodem modo, quo cæteri ligei nostri, personæ habiles & capaces in lege, intra coloniam nostram prædictam; vel alibi intra regnum nostrum *Angliæ*, faciunt & facere poterunt, in foris, curiis, & locis prædictis, & coram justiciariis & iudicibus prædictis.

A common Seal according to the Will of the President and Masters.

VII. Necnon ut prædictus præses, & magistri, seu professores, & eorum successores habeant unum commune sigillum pro causis & negotiis suis, ac successorum eorum quibuscunque agendis servitutum; & ut bene liceat iisdem præsidi, & magistris, seu professoribus, collegii prædicti, & successoribus eorum, sigillum suum ad libitum, de tempore in tempus frangere, mutare, & de novo facere, prout iis melius expedire videbitur.

Power to the Trustees and all others to give and bequeath Lands and Tenements to the College. to £ 2000 per Annum,

VIII. Et ulterius de uberiori gratia nostra speciali, dedimus & concessimus, & pro nobis, hæredibus & successoribus nostris, per præsentem, licentiam damus & concedimus specialem, quantum in nobis est, præfatis *Francisco Nicholson, Gulielmo Cole, Rodolpho Wormley,*

Dominions, or Plantations, belonging to us, or our Heirs; and to do, act, and receive, these and all other Things, in the same manner, as our other liege People, Persons able and capable in Law, within our said Colony of Virginia, or our Kingdom of England, do, or may act, in the said Courts and Places of Judicature, and before the said Justices and Judges.

VII. *As also, that the said President, and Masters, or Professors, and their Successors, shall have one common Seal, which they may make Use of in any whatsoever Cause and Business belonging to them and their Successors; and that the President, and Masters, or Professors of the said College, and their Successors, shall have Leave to break, change, and renew, their said Seal, from Time to Time, at their Pleasure, as they shall see most expedient.*

VIII. *And further, of our more especial Grace, we have Given and Granted, and for us, our Heirs, and Successors, we Give and Grant our special Licence, as far as in us lies, to the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, William D. Byrd,*

net and free
from all
Charges,
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*Wormley, Gulielmo Byrd, & Joanni Lear, Armigeris; Jacobo Blair, Joanni Farnifold, Stephano Fouace, & Samueli Gray, Clericis; Thomæ Milner, Christophoro Robinson, Carolo Scarborough, Joanni Smith, Beniamino Harrison, Milesio Cary, Henrico Hartwell, Gulielmo Randolph, & Mattheo Page, Generosis, aut ipsi aut aliæ personæ quæcunque, aut alia persona quæcunque, postquam Collegium prædictum, ut prædicitur, fundatum, erectum, factum, creatum, & stabilitum fuerit, maneria, terras, tenementa, redditus, servitia, rectorias, portiones, annuitates, pensiones, & advocaciones ecclesiarum, ac omnia & omnimoda alia hæreditamenta, franchises, & possessiones quascunque, tam spirituales, quam temporales, ad valorem duarum mille librarum, per annum ultra omnia onera & re-
priz' tam de feodis suis propriis quam alienis, præsidi, & magistris, seu professoribus ejusdem collegii, pro tempore existent' & successoribus suis dare, & concedere, assignare, & legare, possit & possint, valeat & valeant, habend' tenend' & gaudend' iisdem præsidi, & magistris, seu professoribus, & eorum successoribus, in perpetuum: Et ut ipsi præses, & magistri, seu professores, prædicti maneria, terras, tenementa, redditus, reversiones, servitia, rectorias, portiones, pensiones, annuitates, & omnia & omnimoda*

Byrd, and John Lear, *Esqs*; James Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, Samuel Gray, *Clerks*; Thomas Milner, Christopher Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Myles Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph, and Matthew Page, *Gentlemen*, that they, or any other Person or Persons, whatsoever, after the said College is so founded, erected, made, created, and established, may have Power to Give, and Grant, Assign, and Bequeath, all Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Services, Rectories, Portions, Annuities, Pensions, and Advowsons of Churches, and all Manner of Inheritances, Franchises, and Possessions whatsoever, as well Spiritual as Temporal, to the Value of Two Thousand Pounds a Year, over and above all Burthens, and Reprisals, to the President, and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, for the Time being, and their Successors, to be had, held, and enjoyed, by the said President, and Masters, or Professors, and their Successors, for ever: And that they the said President, and Masters, or Professors aforesaid, may take and hold, to themselves, and their Successors, for ever, as is aforesaid, Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Reversions, Services, Rectories, Portions, Pensions, Annuities, and all, and all Manner of Inheritances, and Possessions whatsoever,

moda alia hæreditamenta, & possessiones quascunque, tam spirituales, quam temporales, ad prædictum valorem duarum mille librarum, per annum, ultra omnia onera re-
 priz' & repart' recipere possint, & tenere sibi & successoribus suis prædict' in perpetuum, sicut prædictum est. Nolentes quod præses, & magistri, seu professores præfati collegii, qui pro tempore fuerint, aut successores sui, ratione, seu occasione præmissorum, vel eorum alicujus, per nos, hæredes, & successores nostros, justiciarios, escheatores, vicecomites, seu alios balivos; aut ministros nostros, seu hæredum, aut successorum nostrorum quoscunque impetantur, inquietentur, molestantur, aut in aliquo occasionentur, vexentur, seu graventur.

The Visitors
 to make
 Statutes,
 &c. for the
 good Go-
 vernment of
 the College.

IX. Et ulterius volumus, & per præsen-
 tes, declaramus, nominamus, ordinamus, &
 constituimus, præfatos *Franciscum Nicholson*,
Gulielmum Cole, *Rodolphum Wormley*, *Gulielmum Byrd*, & *Joannem Lear*, Armige-
 ros, *Jacobum Blair*, *Joannem Farnifold*,
Stephanum Fouace, & *Samuelem Gray*, Cle-
 ricos; *Thomam Milner*, *Christophorum Robin-*
son, *Carolum Scarborough*, *Joannem Smith*,
Benjaminum Harrison, *Milesum Cary*, *Hen-*
ricum Hartwell, *Gulielmum Randolph*, &
Mattheum Page, Generosos, & successores
 suos,

*soever, as well Spiritual as Temporal, to the
aforesaid Value of Two Thousand Pounds a
Year, over and above all Burthens, Repri-
sals, and Reparations: It not being our Will,
that the said President, and Masters, or Pro-
fessors, of the said College, for the Time being,
or their Successors, shall be troubled, disquiet-
ed, molested, or aggrieved, by Reason, or Oc-
casion, of the Premisses, or any of them, by
us, our Heirs, and Successors, or by any of
our Justices, Escheators, Sheriffs, or other
Bailiffs, or Ministers, whatsoever, belonging
to us, our Heirs, and Successors.*

*IX. And further, we Will, and by these
Presents, do declare, nominate, ordain, and
appoint, the said Francis Nicholson, Willi-
am Cole, Ralph Wormley, William Byrd,
and John Lear, Esqs; James Blair, John
Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and Samuel
Gray, Clerks; Thomas Milner, Christopher
Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith,
Benjamin Harrison, Myles Cary, Henry
Hartwell, William Randolph, and Mat-
thew Page, Gentlemen, and their Successors,
to be the true, sole, and undoubted Visitors
and*

suos, fore in perpetuum veros, solos & indubitatos visitatores & gubernatores collegii prædicti; iisque, five majori eorum parti, per præsentēs literas nostras patentes, damus & concedimus perpetuam successionem, modo & forma inferius specificat' perpetuand': Ac etiam plenam & absolutam facultatem, potestatem, & auctoritatem faciend' ferend' condend' & stabiliend' tot & tales regulas, injunctiones, leges, statuta, & ordinationes, pro bono regimine & salubri gubernatione collegii prædicti qual' iisdem præfatis *Francisco Nicholson, Gulielmo Cole, &c.* & successoribus suis, de tempore in tempus, prout res & ratio postulat, melius videbitur expedire, Quæ omnia & singula regulæ, injunctiones, leges, statuta, & ordinationes, sicut præfertur faciend' observari volumus, sub pæna in iisdem content': Ita tamen ut regulæ, injunctiones, leges, statuta, & ordinationes hujusmodi sint nequaquam repugnantia five contraria prærogativæ nostræ regiæ, legibus & statutis regni nostri *Angliæ*, vel coloniæ nostræ *Virginie* prædict', vel canonibus & constitutionibus ecclesiæ *Anglicanæ*, per easdem leges *Angliæ* stabilit'.

The Visitors
to be from
18 to 20 Per-
sons; to ap-
point an an-

X. Et ulterius volumus, & per præsen-
tes, pro nobis hæredibus & successoribus
nostris,

and Governors of the said College for ever :
 And we Give, and Grant to them, or the
 major Part of them, by these our Letters Pa-
 tents, a continual Succession, to be continued in
 the Way and Manner hereafter specified; as
 also full and absolute Liberty, Power, and
 Authority, of making, enacting, framing, and
 establishing, such and so many Rules, Laws,
 Statutes, Orders, and Injunctions, for the
 good and wholesome Government of the said
 College, as to them the said Francis Nichol-
 son, William Cole, &c. and their Successors,
 shall, from Time to Time, according to their
 various Occasions and Circumstances, seem
 most fit and expedient: All which Rules,
 Laws, Statutes, and Injunctions, so to be
 made, as aforesaid, we will have to be ob-
 served, under the Penalty therein contained:
 Provided notwithstanding, that the said Rules,
 Laws, Statutes, Orders, and Injunctions, be
 no way contrary to our Prerogative Royal,
 nor to the Laws and Statutes of our King-
 dom of England, or our Colony of Virginia,
 aforesaid, or to the Canons and Constitu-
 tions of the Church of England, by Law
 established.

X. And further, we Will, and by these
 Presents, for us, our Heirs, and Successors,
do

Annual Rector;
and how the
Rector and
Visitors to
be chosen.

nostris, concedimus & confirmamus præfatis visitatoribus & gubernatoribus collegii prædicti, & successoribus suis, quod ipsi & successores sui, sint & erunt in perpetuum octodecem homines, vel aliquis alius numerus, non excedens numerum viginti in toto, modo & forma inferius expressa eligend' & constituend'; & ut habeant unum virum discretum, & idoneum, in forma inferius expressa, ex illorum numero eligend' & nominand', qui erit & nominabitur rector collegii prædicti: Et assignavimus & confirmavimus, ac per præsentis assignamus & confirmamus præfatum *Jacobum Blair*, fore & esse modernum rectorem collegii prædicti, continuand' in eodem officio pro uno anno proxime sequent' foundationem collegii prædicti, & deinde quousque alius quispiam visitatorum & gubernatorum collegii prædicti ad officium illud debito modo electus, præfectus, & juratus fuerit; utque de tempore in tempus & ad omnia tempora post expirationem anni illius, aut post mortem rectoris, intra expirationem anni, visitatores & gubernatores collegii prædicti, sive major pars eorundem, aut successorum suorum, unum alium virum discretum, & idoneum, de seipsis de tempore in tempus, in rectorem collegii prædicti eligere & nominare, valeant & possint; utque

do Grant, and confirm to the said Visitors, and Governors of the said College, and their Successors, that they, and their Successors, shall, for ever, be Eighteen Men, or any other Number not exceeding the Number of Twenty, in the whole, to be Elected and Constituted in the Way and Manner herein after specify'd; and that they shall have one discreet and fit Person, that shall be elected, and nominated, out of their Number, in the Manner hereafter mentioned, that shall be, and shall be called Rector of the said College: And we have appointed and confirmed, and by these Presents, do appoint, and confirm the said James Blair, to be the present Rector of the said College, to be continued in the said Office for one Year next ensuing the Foundation of the said College, and thereafter, till some other of the Visitors and Governors of the said College shall be duly elected, preferred, and sworn into the said Office; and that from Time to Time, and in all Time coming, after the said Year is expired, or after the Death of the Rector within the Year, the Visitors and Governors of the said College, or the greater Part of them, or of their Successors, shall have Power to elect, and nominate another discreet and fit Person, from amongst themselves, to be Rector of the said College; and that he who is so elected, preferred, and

E nominated,

utque qui in locum rectoris collegii prædicti, sicut præfertur, electus, præfectus, seu nominatus fuerit, officium illud rectoris collegii prædicti, habere, exercere, & gaudere, possit & valeat, pro uno anno integro tum proxime sequenti; & deinde quousque alius Rector collegii prædicti, ad officium illud debito modo electus, præfectus, & juratus fuerit: Et ad perpetuandum successionem prædicti rectoris, & prædictorum visitorum & gubernatorum collegii prædicti, volumus, ordinamus, & appunctuamus, ut quotiescumque, aliqui, vel aliquis, e præfatis visitoribus & gubernatoribus collegii prædicti, obierit vel obierint, seu se & familiam suam extra coloniam nostram prædictam amoverit vel amoverint, & inde in partes peregrinas in perpetuum migraverit vel migraverint, quod tunc & toties bene liceat & licebit rectori, qui pro tempore fuerit, & aliis visitoribus & gubernatoribus collegii prædicti tunc superviven' & remanent', sive majori parti eorundem, unum alium, vel plures alios, de principalibus & melioribus inhabitantibus coloniae nostrae *Virginiae* prædicti in locum, sive loca ipsius visitor' & gubernator', sive ipsorum visitorum & gubernatorum, sic mortui vel amoti, mortuorum vel amotorum, eligere, nominare, & præficere, ad implendum prædictum numerum

*nominated, as abovesaid, into the Place of
 Reſtor of the ſaid College, ſhall have Power
 to have, exerciſe, and enjoy the ſaid Office of
 Reſtor of the ſaid College, for one whole
 Year, then next enſuing, and thereafter, un-
 til ſome other Reſtor of the ſaid College ſhall
 be duly elected, preferred, and ſworn into
 the ſaid Office: And to perpetuate the Suc-
 ceſſion of the ſaid Reſtor, and of the ſaid
 Viſitors and Governors of the ſaid College,
 we Will, ordain, and appoint, that as often,
 as any one or more of the ſaid Viſitors and
 Governors of the ſaid College, ſhall die, or
 remove himſelf and Family out of our ſaid
 Colony, into any other Country, for good and
 all, that then, and ſo often, the Reſtor for
 the Time being, and the other Viſitors and
 Governors of the ſaid College, then ſurvi-
 ving, and remaining within the Colony, or
 the major part of them, ſhall and may have
 Leave to elect, nominate, and chuſe one or
 more of the principal and better Sort of In-
 habitants of our ſaid Colony of Virginia,
 into the Place or Places of the Viſitor and
 Governor, or Viſitors and Governors, ſo dead
 or removed, to fill up the aforeſaid Number
 of Viſitors and Governors for the ſaid Col-
 lege; and that he or they ſo elected and
 choſen, ſhall take his or their corporal Oath
 before the Reſtor, and the other Viſitors and
 Governors*

numerum de visitatoribus & gubernatoribus collegii prædicti; utque ille sive illi sic elect' & præfect' præstet vel præstent coram rectore & aliis visitatoribus & gubernatoribus collegii prædicti, vel maiore parte eorundem sacramentum corporale ad officium illud bene & fideliter exequendum; quod sacramentum prædict' rector, & duo, vel plures e numero visitatorum, administrare possint & valeant: Et post sacramentum prædictum sicut præfertur præstitum, sit & sint de numero prædictorum visitatorum & gubernatorum collegii prædicti.

Septennial
Chancellor,
and Compton
Bishop of
London the
first,

XI. Et insuper volumus, & per præsentés, pro nobis, hæredibus, & successoribus nostris, concedimus & confirmamus præfat' præsidi, & magistris, seu professoribus collegii prædicti, & successoribus suis, ut ipsi, & successores sui, habeant unum virum præclarum & discretum, in forma inferius expressa eligend' & nominand', qui erit & nominabitur Cancellarius collegii prædicti, & assignavimus & confirmavimus, & per præsentés, pro nobis, hæredibus, & successoribus nostris, assignamus & confirmamus prædilectum, & perquam fidelem reverendum in Christo patrem, *Henricum*, permissione divina episcopum *Londinensem*, fore & esse primum Cancellarium collegii prædicti, continu-

and'

Governors of the said College, or the major Part of them, well and faithfully to execute the said Office; which Oath the said Rector, and Two, or more of the Visitors, shall have Power to administer: And that after the taking of the said Oath, he, or they, shall be of the Number of the said Visitors and Governors of the said College.

XI. And further, we Will, and by these Presents, for us, our Heirs, and Successors, do Grant and Confirm, to the said President, and Masters, or Professors of the said College, and their Successors, that they, and their Successors, shall have one eminent and discreet Person, to be elected and nominated, in the Manner hereafter expressed, who shall be, and shall be called Chancellor of the said College: And We have appointed and confirmed, and by these Presents, for us, our Heirs, and Successors, do appoint and confirm, our well-beloved and right trusty the Reverend Father in God, Henry, by divine Permission, Bishop of London, to be the first Chancellor of the said College, to be continued
in

and' in eodem officio, pro septem annis proxime sequent', & deinde, quousque alius Cancellarius collegii prædicti, ad officium illud debito modo electus & præfectus fuerit: Utque de tempore in tempus, & ad omnia tempora, post expirationem septem annorum illorum, aut post mortem præfati episcopi, aut Cancellarii, pro tempore existentis, rector, & visitatores, & gubernatores collegii prædicti, pro tempore existent', vel major pars eorundem, unum alium virum præclarum & discretum, de tempore in tempus, in Cancellarium collegii prædicti, eligere, nominare, & præficere, valeant & possint; utque qui in Cancellarium collegii prædicti sicut præfertur, electus, præfectus, & nominatus fuerit, officium illud Cancellarii collegii prædict' habere, exercere, & gaudere, possit & valeat, pro septem annis integris tunc proxime sequent', & deinde quousque alius Cancellarius collegii prædicti debito modo electus, præfectus, & constitutus fuerit.

Council
Chamber to
be appointed
in the College
for the
Meetings of
the Visitors.

XII. Insuper volumus, per præsentis, & pro nobis, hæredibus, & successoribus nostris, concedimus & confirmamus præfatis præfatis, & magistris, seu professoribus, collegii prædicti, & eorum successoribus, retinere & appunctuare, cum collegium prædictum, stabilitum, erectum, & fundatum fuerit,

in the said Office, for Seven Years next ensuing, and thereafter, until some other Chancellor of the said College shall be duly elected and chosen into the said Office: And that from Time to Time, and in all Time coming, after these Seven Years are expired, or after the Death of the said Bishop, or of the Chancellor, for the Time being, the Rector, and Visitors, and Governors, of the said College, for the Time being, or the major Part of them, shall and may have Power to elect, chuse, and nominate, some other eminent and discreet Person, from Time to Time, to be Chancellor of the said College; and that he who is so nominated and elected to be Chancellor of the said College, shall and may have, execute, and enjoy, the said Office of Chancellor of the said College, for the Space of Seven Years then next ensuing, and thereafter until some other Chancellor of the said College shall be duly elected and constituted.

XII. *Further, we Will, by these Presents, and for us, our Heirs, and Successors do Grant and Confirm to the said President, and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, and to their Successors, that after the said College is erected, founded, and established, they may retain and appoint some convenient*

rit, quendam locum convenientem, seu cameram conciliar', intra collegium prædictum; utque idem rector, & alii visitatores, & gubernatores collegii prædicti, vel major pars eorum, pro tempore existent', quoties iis opportunum & necessarium fore videbitur, convocare & tenere, intra eandem cameram quandam curiam, seu convocationem de iisdem rectore, visitoribus, seu gubernatoribus collegii prædicti, vel eorum majori parte, possint & valeant, perpetuis futuris temporibus, ac in eadem convocatione, tractare, conferre, consultare, consulere, & discernere, de statut', injunct', & ordinationibus collegii prædicti.

Time and
Manner of
choosing the
Rector and
Chancellor.

XIII. Ac insuper volumus, ac per præfentes, pro nobis, hæredibus, & successoribus nostris, concedimus & confirmamus præfat' præfidi, & magistris, seu professoribus, collegii prædicti, & successoribus suis, seu majori parti eorundem, de tempore in tempus, perpetuis futuris temporibus, ut ipsi rector, & visitatores, seu gubernatores collegii prædicti, & eorum successores seu major pars eorundem, habeant potestatem & auctoritatem, annuatim & quolibet anno, primo die *Lunæ*, qui accidet & contingeret proxime post festum annunciationis beatæ *Mariæ* virginis, eligendi & nominandi,

ent Place, or Council Chamber, within the said College; and that the Rector, and other Visitors, and Governors of the said College, or the major Part of them, for the Time being, as often as they shall think good, and see Cause, may convocate and hold a certain Court or Convocation within the said Chamber, consisting of the said Rector, and Visitors, and Governors, of the said College, or the major Part of them, in all Time coming; and in the said Convocation, may treat, confer, consult, advise, and decree, concerning Statutes, Orders, and Injunctions, for the said College.

XIII. And further, we Will, and by these Presents, for us, our Heirs, and Successors, do Grant and Confirm to the said President, and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, and their Successors, or the major Part of them, that from Time to Time, and in all Time coming, the said Rector, and Visitors, or Governors, of the said College, and their Successors, or the major Part of them, shall have Power and Authority, Yearly, and every Year, on the first Monday which shall happen next after the Feast of the Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary, to elect and nominate, and that they shall and may elect and nominate

nandi, & eligere & nominare, possint & valeant, unum e prædictis visitatoribus seu gubernatoribus collegii prædicti, fore & esse rectorem collegii prædicti, pro uno anno integro ex tunc proxime sequent' : Utque ille postquam sicut præfertur elect' præfect' & nominat' fuerit, in officium rectoris collegii prædicti, antequam ad officium prædictum exequend' admittatur, sacramentum corporale eodem die, & loco, coram ultimo rectore, & visitatoribus, seu gubernatoribus collegii prædicti (aut quibuscunque tribus eorundem) præstabit ad bene & fideliter officium illud exequend' ; & ut post sacramentum prædictum sic præstit', officium illud rectoris collegii prædicti, pro uno anno integro, ex tunc proxime sequent' exequi, valeat & possit : Ac etiam, ut quolibet septennio eodem die *Lunæ* proxime post festum annunciationis beatæ *Mariæ* Virginis prædict' simili modo & forma, habeant auctoritatem & potestatem eligendi & nominandi, & eligere & nominare valeant alium Cancellarium collegii prædicti, continuand' pro septennio, ex tunc proxime sequent' : Et ut ille qui sic elect' præfect' & nominat' fuerit, in officium Cancellarii collegii prædicti, immediate post talem electionem & nominationem officium illud Cancellarii collegii prædicti pro septennio integro, ex tunc proxime sequent' exequi valeat & possit,

one of the said Visitors or Governors of the said College, to be Rector of the said College, for one whole Year then next ensuing: And that he, after he is so elected and chosen into the said Office of Rector of the said College, before he be admitted to execute the said Office, shall, on the same Day, and in the same Place, take his corporal Oath before the last Rector, and Visitors, or Governors, of the said College, or any Three of them, well and faithfully to execute the said Office; and that after so taking the said Oath, he shall and may execute the said Office of Rector of the said College, for one whole Year then next ensuing: And also, that every Seventh Year, on the same Monday, next after the Feast of the Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary, aforesaid, they shall, in like Manner, have Power and Authority to elect and nominate another Chancellor of the said College, to be continued for Seven Years then next ensuing: And that he who shall be so elected, chosen, and nominated, into the Office of Chancellor of the said College, shall and may, immediately after such Election and Nomination, execute the Office of Chancellor of the said College for Seven Years then next ensuing.

Gives
 £.1985 14s.
 10d. in the
 Hands of
 the Auditor.

XIV. Et ut onera & expensæ erigendi, ædificandi, fundandi, & adornandi, collegium prædictum in præsens, ac etiam alendi & manutenendi præsidem, & magistros, seu professores prædictos, in futurum sustineri & supportari possint, de uberiori & ampliori gratia nostra speciali, certa scientia, & mero motu nostris, dedimus, concessimus, assignavimus, & transtulimus, ac per præsentem, pro nobis, hæredibus, & successoribus nostris, damus, concedimus, assignamus, & transferimus præfatis *Francisco Nicholson, Gulielmo Cole, Rodolpho Wormley, Gulielmo Byrd, & Joanni Lear*, Armigeris; *Jacobo Blair, Joanni Farnifold, Stephano Fouace, & Samueli Gray*, Clericis; *Thomæ Milner, Christophoro Robinson, Carolo Scarborough, Joanni Smith, Benjamine Harrison, Milesio Cary, Henrico Hartwell, Gulielmo Randolph, & Matthæo Page*, Generosis, & executoribus & assignatis eorum in perpetuum, totam illam plenam & integram summam unius mille & noningentarum octoginta quinque librarum quatuordecem solidorum & decem denariorum bonæ & legalis monetæ *Angliæ*, de denariis pro redditibus nostris in colonia prædicta, receptis & levatis in manibus *Gulielmi Byrd*, armigeri, auditoris nostri, vel alicujus alius personæ in colonia prædicta,

ad

XIV. *And that the Charge and Expence of erecting, building, founding, and adorning, the said College at present, and also of supporting and maintaining the said President, and Masters, or Professors, for the future, may be sustained and defray'd, of Our more ample and bounteous special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, We have Given, Granted, Assigned, and Made over, and by these Presents, for us, our Heirs, and Successors, do Give, Grant, Assign, and Make over to the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, William Byrd, and John Lear, Esqs; James Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and Samuel Gray, Clerks; Thomas Milner, Christopher Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Myles Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph, and Matthew Page, Gentlemen; and their Executors, and Assigns for ever, the whole and entire Sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Five Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence, of good and lawful Money of England, that has been received and raised out of the Quit-Rents of the said Colony, now remaining in the Hands of William Byrd, Esq; our Auditor, or in whose soever other Hands the same now is, for our Use, within*
the

ad usum nostrum nunc remanentibus: Ideoque mandamus & firmiter injungendo præcipimus præfato auditori, vel cuilibet alii apud quem prædicta pecunia deposita est, aut qui eandem solvere tenetur immediate super visum literarum harum nostrarum patentium, solvere, seu solvi facere, præfatam summam unius mille & noningentarum octoginta quinque librarum quatuordecem solidorum & decem denariorum præfatis *Francisco Nicholson, Gulielmo Cole, &c.* aut majori parti eorum, aut eorum diutius viventium, aut eorum attornat', in ea parte legitime constitut' sine aliquo alio warranto, mandato, sive præcepto nostro, in hac parte impetrand' vel expectand', in, circa, & ad ædificationem, erectionem, & adornationem collegii prædicti expendend' & applicand', & ad nulla alia usus, intentiones, & proposita quæcunque.

Penny per
Pound on
Tobacco,
under the
Direction of
the Com-
missioners
of Customs
in England.

XV. Cumque etiam, per quendam actum parlamenti factum anno regni avunculi nostri regii, *Caroli* secundi, beatæ memoriæ, vicesimo quinto, intitulat', *An Act for the Encouragement of the Greenland and Eastland Trades, and for beter securing the Plantation Trade*, inactitatum fuerit, ut post primum diem *Septembris*, qui tunc foret anno domini millesimo sexcentesimo septuagesimo tertio, si qua navis, quæ per legem terræ posset

set

the said Colony: And therefore, we command and firmly enjoin the said Auditor, or any other Person with whom the said Money is deposited, or who is obliged to pay the same, immediately upon Sight of these our Letters Patents, to pay, or cause to be paid, the said Sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Five Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence, to the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, &c. or the major Part of them, or of the longer Livers of them, or to their Attorney, in that Part lawfully constituted, without any other Warrant, Mandate, or Precept, to be obtained or expected from us, to be laid out and applied about and towards the building, erecting, and adorning, the said College, and to no other Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever.

XV. Seeing also, by a certain Act of Parliament, made in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of our Royal Uncle, Charles the Second, of blessed Memory, intituled, An Act for the Encouragement of the Greenland, and Eastland Trades, and for better securing the Plantation Trade, it was enacted, That after the First Day of September, in the Year of our Lord M,DC,LXXIII, if any Ship, which by Law, might trade in any of the
Plantations

let negotiari, in aliquibus plantationibus, ac-
 cederet alicui earum ad navem prædict' ni-
 cotiana, aut aliis mercibus, ibidem numera-
 tis onerand', & si scriptum obligatorium non
 prius esset datum, cum uno sufficiente fide-
 jussore, eandem nicotianam transportare in
Angliam, Walliam, five oppidum *Bervici*
 super *Twedam*, & non alio, & ibidem illam
 exonerare, & in terram exponere (periculis
 maris solummodo exceptis;) in tali causa per-
 solveretur prædicto avunculo nostro, & hæ-
 redibus, ac successoribus ipsius, pro unaqua-
 que nicotianæ libra, sic onerata, unus dena-
 rius levand', colligend', & solvend', talibus
 locis, & collectoribus, five aliis officiariis, in
 respectivis plantationibus, colligere, levare,
 & recipere, eosdem instituendis & sub talibus
 mulctis, tam officiariis, quam mercibus in-
 fligendis, quales ob non soluta, aut defrau-
 data regia vectigalia, aut custumas in *An-
 lia* infligi debent: Et si acciderit aliquas
 personas five personam, que debita præ-
 mentionata solvere debent, non habere pec-
 unias numeratas quibus iisdem satisfacere
 poterunt, ut officarii instituti ad colligenda
 eadem accipiant in loco pecuniarum numera-
 tarum talem proportionem nicotianæ one-
 randæ qual' ad valorem ejusdem attingeret,
 secundum usualet ratam mercis prædictæ,
 in tali plantatione respective: Quæ omnia
 ordinanda

Plantations, should come to any of them to load, and take on Board Tobacco, or any other of the Commodities there enumerated, and if Bond were not first given, with one sufficient Surety, to carry the said Tobacco to England, Wales, or the Town of Berwick upon Tweed, and to no other Place, and there to unload and put the same on Shore, (the Dangers of the Sea only excepted;) in such Case there should be paid to our said Uncle, and his Heirs, and Successors, one Penny for every Pound of Tobacco so loaded and put on Board, to be levied, collected, and paid in such Places, and to such Officers, and Collectors, as should be appointed in the respective Plantations, to collect, levy, and receive the same, and under such Penalties, both to the Officers and upon the Goods as for Non-payment of His Majesty's Customs in England: And if it should happen that any Person or Persons who are to pay the said Duties, shall not have ready Money to satisfy the same, that the Officers who are appointed to collect the said Duties, shall, in Lieu of the said ready Money, take such a Proportion of Tobacco, that was to be ship'd, as may amount to the Value thereof, according to the usual Rate of the said Commodity, in such Plantation, respectively: All which Things are to be ordered, and disposed, and these several

G Duties

ordinanda & disponenda sunt, & debita respectiva levare causanda, per Commissionarios custumarum nostrarum in *Anglia*, pro tempore existent', sub authoritate & directione domini Thesaurarii *Angliæ*, sive Commissionariorum Thesauri, pro tempore existent', prout per eundem actum parliamenti, intra alia ibidem contenta, relatione inde habita, plenius liquet & apparet; nos de uberiori gratia nostra, mero motu, & certa scientia, dedimus & concessimus, ac pro nobis, & successoribus nostris, damus & concedimus præfatis *Francisco Nicholson*, *Gulielmo Cole*, cæterisque præfatis fiduciariis, & hæredibus suis, in perpetuum, prædictam reventionem unius denarii pro qualibet libra nicotianæ ex *Virginia*, aut terra *Mariæ*, in *America*, aut illarum quacunque, sicut præfertur onerand'; & productum nitidum qui accreverit in *Anglia*, aut alibi, venditione ibidem nicotianæ, in coloniis nostris *Virginie*, & terræ *Mariæ* colligend', in loco denarii prædicti, pro qualibet libra nicotianæ sic onerandæ persolvend': Proviso tamen semper, ut Commissionarii custumarum nostrarum in *Anglia*, pro tempore existentes, omnes collectores, & receptores, prædictæ pecuniæ & nicotianæ, eorumque supervisores, de tempore in tempus, prout antea nominent & constituent: Et ut salaria prædictorum collectorum,

Duties are to be caused to be levied, by the Commissioners of our Customs in England, for the Time being, under the Authority and Direction of the Lord Treasurer of England, or the Commissioners of the Treasury, for the Time being, as by the said Act of Parliament, amongst other Things therein contained, Reference being thereto had, doth more fully appear; We, of our more bounteous Grace, mere Motion, and certain Knowledge, have Given and Granted, and for us, and our Successors, do Give, and Grant, to the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, &c. and the other Trustees above-mentioned, and their Heirs, for ever, the said Revenue of One Penny for every Pound of Tobacco in Virginia, or Maryland, in America, or either of them, that shall be so loaded, and put on Board, as is abovesaid; and the nett Produce which shall accrue in England, or elsewhere, by selling there the Tobacco that shall be collected in our Colonies of Virginia, and Maryland, in Lieu of the Penny that ought to be paid for every Pound of Tobacco so loaded and put on Board, as is abovesaid: Provided always, That the Commissioners of our Customs in England, for the Time being, shall name and appoint all the Collectors and Receivers of the said Money and Tobacco, and their Inspectors and Comptrolers, from Time to Time, as they have

lectorum, receptorum, & supervisorum, ex prædicta reventione deducantur & persolvantur; utque prædicti *Franciscus Nicholson*, *Gulielmus Cole*, *Rodolphus Wormley*, *Gulielmus Byrd*, & *Joannes Lear*, Armigeri; *Jacobus Blair*, *Joannes Farnifold*, *Stephanus Fouace*, & *Samuel Gray*, Clerici; *Thomas Milner*, *Christophorus Robinson*, *Carolus Scarborough*, *Joannes Smith*, *Benjaminus Harrison*, *Milesius Cary*, *Henricus Hartwell*, *Gulielmus Randolph*, & *Mattheus Page*, Generosi, eorumque successores, ac etiam præses, & magistri, seu professores collegii prædicti, eorumque successores, pro tempore existent', teneantur accipere & observare omnes tales regulas, ordinationes, & instructiones, quales ad melius & exactius colligendos prædictos denarios a prædictis Commissionariis custumarum nostrarum in *Anglia*, pro tempore existentibus, sub inspectione & directione domini Thesaurarii, aut commissionariorum Thesauri nostri in *Anglia*, pro tempore existentium, de tempore in tempus, ad ipsos transmittentur, prout per eundem actum parlamenti, relatione inde habita, magis particulariter, dirigitur, & instituitur: Sed sub hac expressa intentione, & speciali fiducia & confidentia quam reponimus in prædicto *Francisco Nicholson*, *Gulielmo Cole*, cæterisque præfatis fiduciariis quod

have hitherto done: And that the Salaries of the said Collectors, Receivers, and Comptrollers, shall be deducted and paid out of the said Revenue; and that the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, William Byrd, and John Lear, Esqs; James Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and Samuel Gray, Clerks; Thomas Milner, Christopher Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Myles Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph, and Matthew Page, Gentlemen, and their Successors, as also the President, and Masters, or Professors of the said College, and their Successors, for the Time being, shall be obliged to receive, and observe all such Rules, Orders, and Instructions, as shall be transmitted to them, from Time to Time, by the said Commissioners of our Customs in England, for the Time being, under the Inspection and Direction of the Lord Treasurer, or the Commissioners of our Treasury in England, for the Time being, for the better and more exact collecting of the said Duty, as by the said Act of Parliament, Reference being thereto had, is more particularly directed and appointed; but with this express Intention, and upon the special Trust and Confidence We place in the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, and the rest of the aforesaid Trustees,

quod ipsi, & eorum diutius viventes, eorumque hæredes, prædictam reventionem unius denarii, pro singulis nicotianæ libris prædictis, tenebunt, capient, & possidebunt, cum omnibus proficuis, commoditatibus, & emolumentis ejusdem, ut eandem applicent & impendant ad erectionem & adornationem ædificiorum aliorumque, ad prædictum collegium necessariorum, donec collegium prædictum, actu erectum, fundatum, & stabilitum fuerit: Et sub hac expressa intentione, & speciali fiducia & confidentia, quod quamprimum prædictum collegium secundum regium nostrum propositum erectum & fundatum fuerit, præfati fiduciarii, eorumque diutius viventes, aut diutius vivens ejusque, aut eorum hæredes, aut assignati bonis & sufficientibus assurantibus in lege dabunt, concedent, & transferent præfidi, & magistris, seu professoribus collegii prædicti, integram hanc reventionem, prædictam, cum omnibus proficuis, proventibus, & emolumentis ejusdem, nuper memoratis, aut tantundem eorum quantum in usus prædictos, nondum expensum & collocatum fuerit, tenend', possidend', & gaudend', prædict' præfidi, & magistris, seu professoribus, eorumque successoribus, in perpetuum.

Trustees, that they, and the longest Livers of them, and their Heirs, shall take, hold, and possess the said Revenue of a Penny per Pound for every Pound of Tobacco aforesaid, with all its Profits, Advantages, and Emoluments, to apply and lay out the same, for building and adorning the Edifices and other Necessaries for the said College, until the said College shall be actually erected, founded, and established, and with this express Intention, and upon the special Trust and Confidence, that so soon as the said College shall be erected and founded, according to our Royal Purpose, the said Trustees, and the longest Livers or Liver of them, and his or their Heirs, or Assigns, shall, by good and sufficient Deeds and Assurances in Law, Give, Grant, and Transfer to the President, and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, this whole Revenue, with all its Profits, Issues, and Emoluments before-mentioned, or so much thereof, as shall not have been expended and laid out for the aforesaid Uses, to be held, possessed, and enjoyed, by the said President, and Masters, or Professors, and their Successors, for ever.

XVI. *And*

Surveyor-
General of
Virginia.

XVI. Ac etiam, de gratia nostra speciali, mero motu, & certa scientia nostris, dedimus & concessimus, & per præsentes, pro nobis, hæredibus, & successoribus nostris, damus & concedimus *Francisco Nicholson, Gulielmo Cole*, cæterisque præfatis fiduciariis, eorumque diutius viventibus, aut diutius viventi ejusque, aut illorum hæredibus officium Supervisoris generalis coloniae nostrae *Virginiae* prædictæ, si modo officium prædictum nunc vacuum sit, vel quandocunque & quotiescunque in posterum vacuum fuerit, habend', tenend', & exercend', cum omnibus vadis, feodis, allocationibus, proficuis, commoditatibus, advantagiis, libertatibus, locis & præeminentiis quibuscunque, ad dictum officium spectant' & pertinent' : In tam amplis modo & forma, quam aliquis alius dictum officium, antehac habens, exercens, vel occupans, unquam habuit, percepit, vel gavissus fuit, aut habere, percipere, vel gaudere, debuit per præfatos fiduciarios, eorumque hæredes, aut per tales officarios & substitutos, quales ipsi, aut major ipforum pars, aut diutius viventium ipforum, eorumque hæredum, de tempore in tempus, nominabunt & constituent, donec collegium prædictum actu fundatum & erectum fuerit : Sed sub hac expressa intentione,

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XVI. *And also, of our special Grace, mere Motion, and certain Knowledge, We have Given and Granted, and by these Presents, for us, our Heirs, and Successors, do Give, and Grant, to Francis Nicholson, William Cole, and the rest of the said Trustees, and to the longest Livers or Liver of them, and to his or their Heirs, the Office of Surveyor-General of our said Colony of Virginia, if the said Office be now void, or whensoever, and how often soever, it shall hereafter fall void, to be had, held and executed, with all its Issues, Fees, Profits, Advantages, Conveniencies, Liberties, Places, Privileges, and Preeminences whatsoever, belonging to the said Office, in as ample Form and Manner as any other Person, who has heretofore had, executed, or possessed, the said Office, ever had, received, or enjoy'd, or ought to have, receive, or enjoy, by the said Trustees, and their Heirs; or by such Officers and Substitutes, as they or the major Part of them, or of the longest Livers of them, or of their Heirs, shall from Time to Time nominate and appoint, until the said College shall be actually founded, and erected: But with this expresse Intention, and upon this special Trust and Confidence, which We place in the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole,*

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& speciali fiducia & confidentia, quam reponimus in prædicto *Francisco Nicholſon*, *Gulielmo Cole*, cæterisque præfatis fiduciariis, quod ipſi, & eorum diutius viventes, eorumque hæredes, quicquid reſtat pecuniarum, ex hoc officio durante ſua adminiſtratione provenientium, & in erectionem prædicti collegii, cæterosque uſus ſupradictos, nondum impenſarum, quamprimum collegium prædictum actu erectum & fundatum fuerit, præſidi, & magiſtris, ſeu profeſſoribus collegii prædicti, pro tempore exiſtent' reddent, & reſtituent: Et poſtquam collegium illud actu fundatum & erectum fuerit, volumus ut officium illud Sûperviſoris generalis, ſi modo tunc vacuum ſit & quotieſcunque in poſterum vacuum fuerit, habeatur, teneatur & exerceatur, cum omnibus ſuiſ proſicuis & pertinentibus ſupradictis, per præfactos præſidem, & magiſtros, ſeu profeſſores ſupradictos, eorumque ſucceſſores, in perpétuum: Proviſo tamen, ut præſatus *Franciſcus Nicholſon*, cæterique fiduciarii prædicti, aut major ipſorum pars, aut eorum diutius viventium, & prædicti præſes, & magiſtri, ſeu profeſſores, pro tempore exiſtentes, de tempore in tempus, tot & tales ſuperviſores particulares pro ſingulis coloniæ noſtræ *Virginiae* comitatibus nominabunt & ſubſtituent, quales Gubernator noſter generalis

and the rest of the said Trustees, that they and the longest Livers of them, and their Heirs, shall give back and restore to the President, and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, for the Time being, whatsoever Money remains in their Hands, that has risen from this Office, during their Administration, not yet laid out upon the building of the said College, and the other above-mentioned Uses, so soon as the said College shall be actually erected, and founded: And after the said College shall be actually erected and founded, we Will, that the said Office of Surveyor-General, if it be then void, and as often as it shall be void, for the Time to come, shall be had, held, and executed, with all its Profits and Appurtenances above-mentioned, by the said President, and Masters, or Professors, and their Successors, for ever, Provided always, That the said Francis Nicholson, and the rest of the above mentioned Trustees, or the major Part of them, or of the longest Livers of them, and the President, and Masters, or Professors, for the Time being, shall, from Time to Time, nominate and substitute such, and so many particular Surveyors for the particular Counties of our Colony of Virginia, as our Governor in Chief, and the Council of our said Colony of Virginia,

ralis & Concilium coloniæ nostræ *Virginiae* supradictæ, pro tempore existent' necessarios & idoneos fore judicabunt.

Lands at
Blackwater
and *Pamunkey*.

XVII. Ac etiam de ampliori gratia nostra speciali, mero motu, & certa scientia nostris, dedimus, concessimus, & confirmavimus, & per præsentis, pro nobis, & successoribus nostris, damus, concedimus, & confirmamus, præfatis *Francisco Nicholson*, *Gulielmo Cole*, cæterisque fiduciariis supradictis, decem mille acrarum terræ, nondum ab aliquibus aliis subditis nostris, legaliter occupat' five possessionat', jacent', & existent', a parte australi plaudis aquæ nigræ vulgo vocat' *Blackwater Swamp*, ac etiam, alias decem mille acras terræ nondum etiam ab aliquibus aliis subditis nostris, legaliter occupatæ five possessionatæ, jacent' & existent' in isthmo illo, vulgo vocato *Pamunkey Neck*, inter furcas, seu ramos fluminis Eboracensis, vulgo vocat' *York River*: Quæ viginti acrarum mille, volumus limitari & mensurari in locis supradictis, ubicunque libitum fuerit præfatis *Francisco Nicholson*, *Gulielmo Cole*, cæterisque fiduciariis supradictis, aut majori parti ipsorum, aut eorum diutius viventium, habend' & tenend' præfat' *Francisco Nicholson*, *Gulielmo Cole*, cæterisque præfatis fiduciariis, & hæredibus

nia, for the Time being, shall think fit and necessary.

XVII. And also, of our more bounteous Special Grace, mere Motion, and certain Knowledge, we have Given, Granted, and Confirmed, and by these Presents, for us, and our Heirs, and Successors, do Give, Grant, and confirm, to the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, and the rest of the Trustees above-mentioned, Ten Thousand Acres of Land, not yet legally occupied or possessed by any of our other Subjects, lying, and being, on the South Side of the Blackwater Swamp, and also other Ten Thousand Acres of Land, not yet legally occupied or possessed by any of our other Subjects, lying and being in that Neck of Land, commonly called Pamunkey Neck, between the Forks or Branches of York River: Which Twenty Thousand Acres of Land, we Will have to be laid out and measured in the Places above-mentioned, at the Choice of the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, and the rest of the fore-mentioned Trustees, or the major Part of them, or of the longest Livers of them, to be had and held by the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, and the rest of the above-mentioned Trustees, and their Heirs, for ever; but with this Intention, and upon special

hæredibus suis, in perpetuum, ea tamen intentione, & in speciali fiducia, & confidentia, quod præfati *Franciscus Nicholson*, *Gulielmus Cole*, cæterique fiduciarii prædicti, five major pars eorundem, five eorum diutius viventium, cum collegium prædictum, fundatum & stabilitum fuerit, dabunt, concedent, locabunt, & alienabunt, viginti mille acrarum prædict' præfat', præfidi, & magistris, seu professoribus collegii prædicti habend' & tenend', sibi & successoribus suis, in perpetuum, per fidelitatem in libro & commune foccagio, reddendo nobis, & successoribus nostris, duo exemplaria carminum lingua latina conscriptorum, apud domum Gubernatoris, five Vicegubernatoris coloniae nostrae *Virginiae* prædict', pro tempore existent', annuatim ad quemlibet quintum diem *Novembris*, quolibet anno, in perpetuum, in plena exoneratione, acquitania, & satisfactione, omnium & singulorum reddituum quietorum *Anglice Quit-Rents*, servitiorum, consuetudinum, debitorum, & onerum quorumcunque nobis, vel successoribus nostris, pro prædictis viginti mille acris terræ, per leges aut consuetudines *Angliæ*, aut *Virginiae*, debit' & debend'.

To send a
Burgess to
the Assembly.

XVIII. Ac etiam, de gratia nostra speciali, certa scientia, & mero motu nostris, dedimus

cial Trust and Confidence, that the said Francis Nicholson, William Cole, and the rest of the said Trustees, or the major Part of them, or of the longest Livers of them, so soon as the said College shall be actually founded, and established, shall Give, Grant, Lett, and Alienate the said Twenty Thousand Acres of Land to the said President, and Masters, or Professors of the said College, to be had and held by them, and their Successors, for ever, by fealty, in free and common Socage, paying to us, and our Successors, Two Copies of Latin Verses Yearly, on every fifth Day of November, at the House of our Governor, or Lieutenant-Governor of Virginia, for the Time being, for ever, in full Discharge, Acquittance, and Satisfaction of all Quit-Rents, Services, Customs, Dues, and Burdens whatsoever, due, or to be due, to us, or our Successors, for the said Twenty Thousand Acres of Land, by the Laws or Customs of England, or Virginia.

XVIII. *And also, of our special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, We*
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dedimus & concessimus præfat' præfidi, & magistris, seu professoribus, collegii prædicti, & per præsentis, pro nobis, & successoribus nostris, damus & concedimus plenam & absolutam facultatem, potestatem, & auctoritatem, nominandi, eligendi, & constituendi, unum virum discretum & habilem, ex ipsorum numero, vel e numero visitorum & gubernatorum prædict', vel deinde, ex aliis principalibus inhabitantibus coloniae nostrae *Virginiae* prædictae, eligendum, ad interessendum in domo Burgensium, Conventus generalis coloniae nostrae *Virginiae*, & ibidem, ad faciendum & consentiendum, his, quæ de communi concilio dictae coloniae nostrae, favente Deo, contigerint ordinari.

XIX. Et insuper volumus, ut *Francisco Nicholson*, cæterisque fiduciariis prædictis, eorumque successoribus, vel præfidi, ac magistris, seu professoribus, collegii prædicti, aut eorum successoribus, pro tempore existentibus, super humilem eorum petitionem concedantur, de tempore in tempus, per nos, hæredes, & successores nostros, tales ulteriores confirmationes, & ratificationes, præmissorum, sub magno sigillo nostro *Angliae*, aut aliter qual' Attornato nostro generali, aut hæredum, vel successorum nostrorum, pro

have Given, and Granted, and by these Presents, for us, and our Successors, do Give, and Grant, to the said President, and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, full and absolute Power, Liberty, and Authority, to nominate, elect, and constitute one discreet and able Person of their own Number, or of the Number of the said Visitors, or Governors, or lastly, of the better Sort of Inhabitants of our Colony of Virginia, to be present in the House of Burgesses, of the General Assembly of our Colony of Virginia, and there to act and consent to such Things, as by the common Advice of our said Colony shall (God willing) happen to be Enacted.

XIX. And further, it is our Pleasure, that such further Confirmations and Ratifications of the Premisses shall be Granted, from Time to Time, by us, our Heirs, and Successors, to the said Francis Nicholson, and the rest of the Trustees above-mentioned, and to their Successors, or to the President, and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, or to their Successors, for the Time being, upon their humble Petition under the Great Seal of England, or otherwise, as the Attorney General

pro tempore existen', magis videbitur expedire.

In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras, fieri fecimus patentes, testibus nobis ipsis, apud *Westmonaster*, octavo die *Februarii*, anno regni nostro quarto.

Per breve de privato sigillo.

P I G O T T.

neral of us, our Heirs, or Successors, for the
Time being, shall think fit and expedient.

*In Testimony whereof, We have caused
these our Letters to be made Patent :
Witness our Selves, at Westminster, the
Eighth Day of February, in the Fourth
Year of our Reign.*

By Writ of the Privy Seal.

P I G O T T.

1871

First of January 1871

Received of the
Hon. Secy of the Navy
for the sum of \$1000
on account of the
purchase of the
USS Albatross

By order of the
Hon. Secy of the Navy

Wm. A. Rorer
Treasury

Wm. A. Rorer
Treasury

THE
TRANSFER
OF THE
COLLEGE
OF
WILLIAM *and* MARY,
IN
VIRGINIA.

TO all to whom these Presents shall come, *James Blair*, of the City of *Williamsburg*, in the Colony of *Virginia*, and *Stephen Fouace*, of *Chelsea*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Clerks, send Greeting: Whereas their late Majesties, King *William* and Queen *Mary*, of blessed Memory, being religiously inclined to promote the Studies of sacred Theology, Philosophy, Languages, and other good Arts and Sciences, to the End the Church

Church of *Virginia* might be supplied with a Seminary of Ministers of the Gospel, and the Youth of that Country be piously educated in good Manners and Learning, and the Orthodox Christian Faith might be propagated among the *Western Indians*, at the humble Suit of the General Assembly of the Colony aforesaid, by their Letters Patents bearing Date at *Westminster* the Eighth Day of *February*, in the Fourth Year of their Reign, were pleased, of their special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, to give Licence to certain Trustees, to wit, *Francis Nicholson, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, William Byrd, and John Lear, Esqs; James Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and Samuel Gray, Clerks; Thomas Milner, Christopher Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Miles Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph, and Matthew Page, Gentlemen*; that they, or the major Part of them, or the longest Livers of them, might erect, found, and establish a certain general School, or perpetual College of sacred Theology, Philosophy, Languages, and other good Arts and Sciences, consisting of One President, Six Masters or Professors, and One Hundred Scholars, more or less, Graduates and not Graduates, according to the Ordinances
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and Statutes of the said College, by the said Trustees, or the major Part of them, in that behalf to be made and established, in a certain Place upon the *South* Side of *York* River, near *York* Town, in the County of *York*, in the Colony aforesaid; or if that Place, for the Unwholsomness of the Air, or any other Cause, should not be agreeable, in any other Place within the said Colony, which to the General Assembly of the said Colony should seem most convenient. And did further grant, That the said Trustees, or the major Part of them, might receive, hold, and enjoy Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Services, Rectories, Portions, Annuities, Pensions, and Advowsons of Churches, with all other Hereditaments, Franchises and Possessions whatsoever, as well Spiritual as Temporal, to the Value of Two Thousand Pounds by the Year, and all Goods, Chattels, Money, and personal Estate whatsoever, of the Gift of any Person whatsoever, willing to give the same to this Use, or any Gifts, Grants, Assignments, Legacies, or Appointments whatsoever, of them, or any of them, or any other well-disposed Persons: But to the express Intent, and under this special Trust, That they, the said Trustees, or the major Part of them, or the longest Livers of them, should,

should take and receive the Premisses, and dispose the same, or the Rents, Issues, and Profits thereof, only for sustaining and defraying the Expences in erecting and fitting the Buildings of and for the said intended College, and in ordaining the same with Books and other convenient Utensils, and other Expences to the said College pertaining, as to them, or the major Part of them, should seem expedient, until the said College should be actually erected, founded, and established: And under this Trust, and to the Intent, That as soon as the said College, according to the Royal Design aforesaid, should be erected and founded, the said Trustees, or the longest Livers or longest Liver of them, and his or their Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, by good and sufficient Writings and Assurances in Law, should give, grant, and transfer to the said President, and Masters, or Professors, and their Successors, the same Mannors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Services, Rectories, Portions, Annuities, Pensions, and Advowsons of Churches, with all other Hereditaments, Franchises, Possessions, Goods, Chattels, and personal Estate aforesaid, or so much thereof as should not be before expended and laid out in erecting the said College, or in the other Uses aforesaid.

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And by the said Charter did make, create, and establish the said *James Blair* first President of the said College, during his natural Life. And further, did grant that the said *Francis Nicholson*, *William Cole*, *Ralph Wormley*, *William Byrd*, *John Lear*, *James Blair*, *John Farnifold*, *Stephen Fouace*, and *Samuel Gray*, *Thomas Milner*, *Christopher Robinson*, *Charles Scarborough*, *John Smith*, *Benjamin Harrison*, *Miles Cary*, *Henry Hartwell*, *William Randolph*, and *Matthew Page*, and their Successors, or the major Part of them, should chuse and nominate other able, fit, and capable Persons into the Places of the Masters, or Professors of the said College; and that after the Death, or Resignation, or Deprivation of the said President, or Professors, or any of them, they might, from Time to Time, chuse and substitute into his or their Places some fit Person or Persons, according to the Ordinances and Statutes of the same College, by the said *Francis Nicholson*, *William Cole*, *Ralph Wormley*, *William Byrd*, *John Lear*, *James Blair*, *John Farnifold*, *Stephen Fouace*, *Samuel Gray*, *Thomas Milner*, *Christopher Robinson*, *Charles Scarborough*, *John Smith*, *Benjamin Harrison*, *Miles Cary*, *Henry Hartwell*, *William Randolph*, and *Matthew Page*, or their Successors, or the major Part of them,

for the good and wholsome Government of the same College, and of all Persons enjoying any Office or residing therein, to be made, ordained, and established. And further, did grant that when the said College should be so erected, made, founded, and established, the same should be for ever called and named the College of *William and Mary*, in *Virginia*; and that the said President, and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, should be one Body corporate and politic; and by the Name of the President and Masters, or Professors, of the College of *William and Mary*, in *Virginia*, should have perpetual Succession, and should for ever be called and named the President and Masters, or Professors, of the College of *William and Mary*, in *Virginia*; and by the same Name should be Persons fit, capable, able, and perpetual in Law to purchase and receive Lordships, Manors, Lands Tenements, Reversions, Rectories, Portions, Pensions, Annuities, Hereditaments, Possessions, and Services whatsoever, as well Spiritual as Temporal, and all Goods and Chattels whatsoever, as well of the Gift of their said late Majesties, their Heirs and Successors, as of the Gift of the said Trustees or any other Persons whatsoever, to the Value of Two Thousand Pounds of lawful Money of *England*,

land, by the Year, and no more, to have and to hold to them and their Successors for ever : And did further grant to the said President and Masters, or Professors, and their Successors, divers other Liberties, Privileges and Immunities, in the said Letters Patents particularly set forth and expressed; and further, did declare, nominate, ordain, and constitute the said *Francis Nicholson, William Cole, Ralph Wormley, William Byrd, John Lear, James Blair, John Farnifold, Stephen Fouace, and Samuel Gray, Thomas Milner, Christopher Robinson, Charles Scarborough, John Smith, Benjamin Harrison, Miles Cary, Henry Hartwell, William Randolph, and Matthew Page*, and their Successors, to be for ever the true and undoubted Visitors and Governors of the said College; and did give them, or the major Part of them Power, from Time to Time, to make Statutes and Ordinances for the good Government of the said College : And did grant unto them perpetual Succession, and that they and their Successors should for ever be Eighteen Persons, or any other Number not exceeding Twenty; and that one discreet and fit Person, out of their Number, should be Rector of the said College, to be elected and appointed as in the said Letters Patents is expressed; and did appoint the said

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James Blair first Rector of the said College, to continue in that Office for one Year next after the founding of the said College. And for perpetuating the Succession of the said Visitors and Governors, did grant that as often as any of the said Visitors and Governors of the said College should die, or remove him or themselves, or their Families, out of the said Colony, and go into foreign Parts with Intent not to return, that then it should be lawful for the Survivors, or the remaining, or the greater Part of them, to chuse, nominate, and appoint one other, or more of the principal and better Inhabitants of the said Colony of *Virginia*, into the Place or Places of such Visitor and Governor, or Visitors and Governors, so dying or removing. And to the End the Charges and Expences for erecting, building, founding, and adorning the College aforesaid for the Present, and also of keeping and maintaining the President and Masters, or Professors, in Time to come, might be sustained and supported, their said late Majesties, of their further special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, by the said Letters Patents, for themselves, their Heirs, and Successors, did give, grant, assign, and transfer unto the said Trustees, their Executors and Assigns, for ever, that full and entire

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Sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Five Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence, of good and lawful Money of *England*, of the Monies received and levied for the Quit-Rents in the said Colony, remaining in the Hands of *William Byrd*, Esq; their said Majesties Auditor, or of any other Person in the said Colony for their Use, to be expended and applied in, about, and to the building, erecting, and adorning the College aforesaid, and to no other Use, Intents, or Purposes whatsoever. And for as much as by one Act of Parliament, made in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of the late King *Charles* the Second, of blessed Memory, entituled, *An Act for the Encouragement of the Greenland and Eastland Trades, and for the better securing the Plantation Trade*, it was Enacted, That after the first Day of *September*, which should be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-three, if any Ship, which by the Law of the Land might trade in any of the Plantations, should go to any of them to trade, or take on Board any Tobacco or other Commodities therein enumerated, and should not first give Bond, with one sufficient Surety, to transport the same Tobacco into *England*, *Wales*, or the Town of *Berwick* upon *Tweed*, and to no other Place, and

and there to unload and put the same on Shoar, the Danger of the Seas only excepted; in such Case there should be paid to the said King, his Heirs and Successors, for every Pound of Tobacco so loaded and put on Board One Penny, to be levied, collected, and paid in such Place, and to such Collectors, or other Officers in the respective Plantations as should be appointed to collect, levy, and receive the same; and under such Penalties, as well on the Officers as Goods, to be inflicted as for the Non-payment or Defraying the King's Taxes or Customs in *England* ought to be inflicted: And if it should happen that any Person or Persons who ought to pay the said Duties should not have ready Money wherewith to satisfy the same, that the Officers appointed to collect the same might accept, instead of ready Money, such Proportion of Tobacco, to be laden as aforesaid, as might amount to the Value thereof, according to the current Rate of that Commodity in such Plantation respectively: All which Matters are to be ordered and managed, and the respective Duties to be caused to be levied by the Commissioners of the Customs in *England*, for the Time being, under the Authority and Direction of the Lord Treasurer of *England*, or the Commissioners of the Treasury

fury for the Time being, as by the same
 Act of Parliament, among other Things
 therein contained; Relation being thereunto
 had, more fully appears: Their said late
 Majesties, for themselves, and their Succes-
 sors, did give and grant to the said *Francis
 Nicholson, William Cole*, and the rest of the
 Trustees aforesaid, and their Heirs, for
 ever, the said Revenue of One Penny for
 every Pound of Tobacco to be shipped as
 aforesaid, out of *Virginia* or *Maryland*, or
 either of them, and the net Produce which
 should accrue in *England*, or elsewhere, by
 the Sale of Tobacco to be collected in the
 Colonies of *Virginia* or *Mayland*, in Lieu
 of the Penny aforesaid to be paid for every
 Pound of Tobacco to be shipped. But to
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 Trust and Confidence, That the said Trus-
 tees, and the longest Livers of them, and
 their Heirs, should hold, take, and possess
 the said Revenue of One Penny for every
 Pound of Tobacco aforesaid, with all Profits,
 Commodities, and Emoluments of the same;
 and the same should apply, and imploy, to
 the erecting and adorning of the Buildings
 and other Things necessary for the said Col-
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 ally erected, founded, and established; and
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Trust and Confidence, that as soon as the said College, according to the Royal Design aforesaid, should be erected and founded, the said Trustees, and the longest Livers or Liver of them, and his or their Heirs or Assigns, by good and sufficient Assurances in Law, should give, grant, and transfer to the said President and Masters, or Professors, of the College aforesaid, the entire Revenue aforesaid, with all Profits, Issues, and Emoluments of the same, or so much thereof as should not be expended and laid out in the Uses aforesaid; to be held, possessed, and enjoy'd by the said President and Masters, or Professors, and their Successors, for ever. And further, did give and grant to the said *Francis Nicholson*, *William Cole*, and the rest of the Trustees aforesaid, and the longest Livers or Liver of them, and to his or their Heirs, the Office of Surveyor-General of the Colony of *Virginia* aforesaid, if the said Office should then be vacant: To be had, held, and exercised with all Perquisites, Fees, Allowances, Profits, Commodities, Advantages, Liberties, Places and Preeminences to the said Office belonging or appertaining, in as ample Manner and Form as any other Person having, exercising, or enjoying the said Office ever had, received, or enjoyed, or might

might have had, received, or enjoy'd the same, by the said Trustees, and their Heirs, or by such Officers and Deputies as they, or the major Part of them, or of the longest Livers of them, and their Heirs, should, from Time to Time, nominate and appoint, until the said College should be actually founded and erected. But under this express Intent, and special Trust and Confidence, That the said *Francis Nicholson*, *William Cole*, and the rest of the Trustees aforesaid, and the longest Livers of them, and their Heirs, as soon as the said College should be actually erected and founded, should render unto the President and Masters, or Professors, of the said College, for the Time being, whatsoever should remain of the Monies arising from that Office during their Administration, which should not be before laid out in erecting the said College, and the other Uses aforesaid. And of their further Grace did give, grant, and confirm, for themselves, their Heirs and Successors, to the said *Francis Nicholson*, *William Cole*, and the rest of the Trustees aforesaid, Ten Thousand Acres of Land, not before legally occupied and possessed by any other of their Subjects, lying and being on the *South Side of Blackwater Swamp*: And also other Ten Thousand Acres of Land,

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not before legally occupied or possessed by any other of their Subjects, lying and being in that Isthmus commonly called *Pamunkey Neck*, between the Forks or Branches of *York River*; which Twenty Thousand Acres of Land their said late Majesties did direct to be bounded and measured in the Places aforesaid, wheresoever it should please the said Trustees, or the major Part of them, or of the longest Livers of them : To be held to them the said *Francis Nickolson*, *William Cole*, and the rest of the Trustees aforesaid, and their Heirs, for ever. Nevertheless to this Intent, and upon special Trust and Confidence, That the said Trustees, or the major Part of them, or of the longest Livers of them, when the said College should be founded and established, should give, grant, bargain, and alien the Twenty Thousand Acres aforesaid to the President and Masters, or Professors, of the College aforesaid ; to be held to them, and their Successors, for ever, by Fealty, in free and common Socage, as by the said Letters Patents, among other Things therein contained, Relation being thereunto had, more fully and at large doth and may appear. And whereas divers well-disposed charitable Persons, for encouraging and furthering so good a Work, did give unto the said Trustees sundry Sums
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of Money, amounting to Two Thousand Pounds Sterling, and upwards; and the General Assembly of the Colony aforesaid, by one Act of Assembly, made in the Fourth Year of the Reign of the late Queen *Anne*, entituled, *An Act for laying an Imposition upon Skins and Furs, for the better Support of the College of William and Mary*, did lay certain Duties upon raw Hides and tanned Hides and upon all Deer Skins and Furs that should be exported and carried out of the said Colony, either by Land or Water, to be paid to her said Majesty, her Heirs and Successors, for and towards the better Support and Maintenance of the said College, as in the said Act is more fully expressed. And her said late Majesty Queen *Anne*, in the Year of her Reign, was graciously pleased to give unto the said Trustees the Sum of One Thousand Pounds Sterling, out of the Money arising from the Quit-Rents of the said Colony. And whereas the said Trustees, since the granting the said Letters Patents, did purchase one certain Parcel of Land, containing Three Hundred and Thirty Acres, lying and being in the Parish of *Bruton*, in the County of *James-City*, near the City of *Williamsburg*, for the Consideration of One Hundred and Seventy Pounds, which was sold and conveyed

vey'd to the said Trustees by *Thomas Ballard*, by his certain Indenture bearing Date the Twentieth Day of *December*, One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-three; and have expended divers considerable Sums of Money in maintaining and supporting a Grammar School, for the immediate Education of the Youth of the said Colony, in the *Latin* and *Greek* Tongues, till the said College should be actually founded as aforesaid, and the Number of Masters, or Professors, in the said Letters Patents mentioned, made complete: And did also cause to be erected, on Part of the said purchased Lands, in the Parish of *Bruton* aforesaid, by the Appointment of the General Assembly of the said Colony, a convenient Building of Brick for the said College, which some Time in the Month of *October*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Five, happened to be destroyd by Fire; but by the Care of the surviving Trustees hath been since rebuilt there, more conveniently than before, and is now fitted with a Hall, and convenient Appartments for the Schools, and for the Lodging of the President, Masters, and Scholars, and hath in it a convenient Chamber set a-part for a Library, besides all other Officers necessary for the said College, and is adorned with an handsome

some Garden ; whereby the several Sums of Money, so as aforesaid contributed, for the carrying on of this Work, and the Rents, Issues, and Profits, and Emoluments, of the said Twenty Thousand Acres of Land, and the other Revenues aforesaid, have hitherto been in great Measure exhausted; and the founding of the said College delay'd and hindred. And whereas the said surviving Trustees, pursuant to the Trust in them reposed, have established in the said College one School of sacred Theology, and one other School of Philosophy, besides the Grammar School aforesaid, and have appointed certain Masters, or Professors in each of the said Schools, that is to say, Two Masters in the Theology School, two other Masters in the Philosophy School, and one in the Grammar School ; and have chosen and appointed *Bartholomew Yates*, late of the Parish of *Christ Church*, in the County of *Middlesex*, in the Colony of *Virginia*, Clerk, and *Francis Fontaine*, late of the Parish of *York-Hampton*, in the County of *York*, in the Colony aforesaid, Clerk, Masters or Professors of Theology ; and *Alexander Irwin*, of the City of *Williamsburg* aforesaid, Gentleman, and *William Dawson*, late of *Queens College*, in *Oxford*, Clerk, Masters or Professors of Philosophy ; and *Joshua Fry*, of *Williamsburg*

burg aforeſaid, Gentleman, Maſter of the Grammar School in the ſaid College. And whereas the Honorable *Robert Boyle*, Eſq; deceased, being in his Life Time poſſeſſed of a perſonal Eſtate to the Value of Ten Thouſand Pounds, and being minded to leave the greateſt Part thereof to be employed for charitable Uſes, about the Eighteenth of *July*, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Six Hundred and Ninety-one, made his laſt Will and Teſtament in Writing; and did thereby, and by one or more Codicils, direct that the Reſidue of his perſonal Eſtate, after Debts and Legacies paid, ſhould be diſpoſed of by his Executors for ſuch charitable and pious Uſes as they in their Diſcretion ſhould think fit; but recommended unto them the laying out the greateſt Part thereof for Advancement of the Chriſtian Religion; and made the Right Honorable *Richard*, Earl of *Burlington*, Sir *Henry Aſhurſt*, Knight and Baronet, and *John Marr*, Gentleman, Executors of the ſaid Will, and ſoon after died: And the ſaid Executors proved his Will, and poſſeſſed themſelves of his perſonal Eſtate, and had agreed to lay out Five Thouſand Four Hundred Pounds, being looked upon to be the greater Half, in the Purchase of Lands, and to apply the yearly Rent thereof towards
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propagating the Christian Religion amongst
 Infidels; and had agreed with Sir *Samuel Ger-*
rard for the Purchase of the Manor of *Braf-*
ferton, in the County of *York*, for the Sum
 of Five Thousand Four Hundred Pounds,
 and upon Payment thereof the said Sir *Samuel*
Gerrard was to convey the said Estate to
 them and their Heirs; and for the settling
 the said Charity had agreed on the Methods
 following, That out of the said Manor the
 said Executors should grant a Rent Charge
 in Perpetuity of Ninety Pounds *per Annum*
 unto the Company, for propagating the Gos-
 pel in *New-England*, and the Parts adjacent,
 in *America*, and their Successors, to be paid
 at *Guildhall* in *London*, yearly at *Michaelmas*
 and *Lady-Day*, by equal Portions, clear of
 Taxes; and that the said Company should
 apply Forty-five Pounds *per Annum*, one
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 nisters to instruct the Natives, in or near
 his Majesty's Colonies in *New-England*, in
 the Christian Religion; and the other Forty-
 five Pounds *per Annum*, Residue of the said
 Rent Charge, the said Company, and their
 Successors, were to transmit unto the Pre-
 sident and Fellows of *Harvard College*, in
Cambridge, in *New-England*, and their Suc-
 cessors, to be by them employed and bestow-
 ed for the Salary of two other Ministers to
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teach the said Natives, in or near the College there, the Christian Religion : And that the said Manor, subject to the said Ninety Pounds *per Annum*, should be conveyed to the Mayor, Commonalty, and Citizens of *London*, and their Successors, upon Trust, that the Rents and Profits thereof, over and above the said Ninety Pounds *per Annum*, Receiver's Salary, and other incident Charges deducted; should be laid out for the Advancement of the Christian Religion in *Virginia*, in such Manner, and subject to such Methods and Rules as the said Earl of *Burlington*, and the Bishop of *London*, for the Time being, should, under their Hands and Seals, appoint, so as such Appointment were made on or before *Lady-Day*, One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-seven, and confirmed by the Decree of the High Court of Chancery. But there being Delays in the said Purchase, some Time in *Trinity Term*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-five, Sir *Thomas Trevor*, Knight, Attorney General of his then Majesty, and Dame *Elizabeth Gerrard*, and *Thomas Owen*, Executors of the last Will and Testament of the said Sir *Samuel Gerrard*, late deceased, exhibited their Bill in the High Court of Chancery against the Right Honorable *Richard*, Earl of *Burlington*,
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Sir *Henry Ashurst*, Knight and Baronet, and *John Marr*, Gentleman, Executors of the last Will and Testament of the Honorable *Robert Boyle*, Esq; deceased: And the said Dame *Elizabeth Gerrard*, and *Thomas Owen*, being desirous to go on with the said Purchase, to that End prayed the said Defendants might be decreed to pay the said Five Thousand Four Hundred Pounds Purchase Money, on Conveyance of a good Estate in Fee Simple. And in as much as it was the proper Work of the said Court to see charitable Uses pursued, the said Attorney General prayed that the Defendants might go on with the said Purchase, and be decreed to settle the Rents thereof on such pious Uses as were agreed on, in Case the same were according to the Testator's Mind, or otherwise as the Court should direct: To which Bill the said Defendants put in their Answer, whereupon, and upon the Debate of the Matters, and hearing what was alleged on either Side, the Court thought fit, upon the First Day of *August*, One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-five, to decree that it should be referred to One of the Masters of the said Court to take an Account of the personal Estate of the said Testator, *Robert Boyle*, which had come to the Hands of the Defendants, and to examine and

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certify whether the Five Thousand Four Hundred Pounds; agreed to be laid out in the said Purchase, were the major Part of the said Testator's personal Estate, and whether the Value of the said Manor and Lands were equivalent to the purchase Money agreed to be paid for the same: Upon whose Report it was, upon the Eighth Day of *August*, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of the late King *William* the Third, ordered and decreed, That the Defendants should proceed in the said Purchase, for the said Sum of Five Thousand Four Hundred Pounds; and that the Rules and Methods, touching the Disposition of the said Charity, before mentioned, should be, and were thereby ratified and confirmed; with this further Addition only, That the yearly Account of the said Ninety Pounds *per Annum*, after the Death of the said Earl of *Burlington* and Sir *Henry Ashurst*, should be sent to the President of *Trinity* College, in *Oxford*, for the Time being, as well as to the several Heirs of the Earl of *Burlington* and Sir *Henry Ashurst*, of which College the said *Robert Boyle* was a Member. And it was further decreed, That after the said Purchase made, the said Defendants should grant the said Rent Charge of Ninety Pounds *per Annum* to the said Company, for propagating the Gospel

Gospel in *New-England*, and Parts adjacent, in *America*, and their Successors, for the Purposes aforesaid; and afterwards should convey the said Manor and purchased Premises, so charged as aforesaid, unto the Mayor, Commonalty, and Citizens of *London*, and their Successors, subject to the Trusts and Purposes in the aforesaid Rules and Agreements made concerning the same. In Pursuance of which Decree the said Earl of *Burlington*, and *Henry*, Lord Bishop of *London*, agreed on, and appointed certain Rules and Methods for the Settlement of the said Charity in *Virginia*, under their Hands and Seals, bearing Date the Twenty-first Day of *December*, One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-seven, to the Purport and Effect herein after mentioned, that is to say: First that all the yearly Rents and Profits of the said Manor of *Brasserton*, as well those incurred due since the Purchase thereof as which should thereafter grow due, after the Deduction thereof of Ninety Pounds a Year to the College for propagating the Gospel in *New-England*, and other necessary or incident Charges, should be by the present or future Receivers of the Rents thereof paid into the Hands of *Micajah Perry*, of *London*, Merchant, Agent in *London* for the President and Masters of the College of *William and Mary*, in *Virginia*,
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and to all future Agent and Agents in *England*, for the said College, for the Time being, for the Purposes thereafter mentioned, and such Agent or Agents Receipts and Acquittances should be sufficient Discharges to such Receiver or Receivers for what should be so paid. Secondly all Sum and Sums of Money already or that should thereafter be received out of the said Manor, subject to the Deductions aforesaid, should be thereafter remitted to the said President and Masters for the Time being. Thirdly that the said President and Masters, and his and their Successors, should thereout expend so much as should be necessary towards fitting and furnishing Lodgings and Rooms for such *Indian* Children as should be thereafter brought into the said College. Fourthly the said President and Masters, and his and their Successors, should keep at the said College so many *Indian* Children in Sicknes and Health, in Meat, Drink, Washing, Lodging, Cloaths, Medicines, Books and Education, from the first Beginning of Letters till they should be ready to receive Orders, and be thought sufficient to be sent abroad to preach and convert the *Indians*, at the Rate of Fourteen Pounds *per Annum* for every such Child, as the yearly Income of the Premisses, subject to the Deduction aforesaid,

aforesaid, should amount to. Fifthly that the Care, Instruction, and Education of such Children as should be thereafter placed in the said College, should be left to the President and Masters thereof, for the Time being, but yet subject therein as they were for all their Trusts to the Visitation and Inspection of the Rector and Governors of the said College, for the Time being. Sixthly that the said President and Masters, and his and their Successors, should once every Year transmit to the Earl of *Burlington*, and Lord Bishop of *London*, for the Time being, a particular Account of what Sum and Sums of Money they should hereafter receive by Virtue of the said Decree, as also lay out or expend on all or any the Matters aforesaid, and the Occasion or Occasions thereof, as also the Number and Names of the *Indian* Children that should thereafter be brought into the said College, together with their Progress or Proficiency in their Studies, and of all other Matters relating thereto. Seventhly that the laying out the Money, from Time to Time thereafter, to be remitted, as also the Manner and Method of educating and instructing such Children, and all other Matters relating to this Charity, or the Execution of it, should be subject to such other Rules and Methods as should,
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from Time to Time thereafter, be transmitted to the said President and Masters, and his and their Successors, by the Earl of *Burlington*, and Lord Bishop of *London*, for the Time being, and in Default thereof to such Rules and Methods as the Rectors and Governors of the said College, for the Time being, should make or appoint: But until such other and further Rules were made, the Rules and Directions thereby given were to take Place. Eighthly and lastly, that the Name of the Benefactor might not be forgotten, the said Earl of *Burlington* and Bishop of *London* did direct and appoint that the said Charity should thereafter be called *The Charity of the Honorable Robert Boyle, Esq; of the City of London, deceased*. And afterwards at the humble Petition of the Defendants, preferred to the Lord High Chancellor of *England*, praying a Day for his Lordship's Directions for the Constitution of the said Rules and Methods for the Settlement of the said Charity in *Virginia*; the Right Honorable *John*, Lord *Somers*, Baron of *Eversham*, Lord High Chancellor of *England*, the Ninth Day of *June*, One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-eight, ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the said Rules and Methods, and all and every of the Matters and Things therein

therein contained, should be ratified, confirmed, and established with the Additions and Alterations herein after mentioned, *viz.* In the Sixth Rule, that the yearly Account therein appointed to be transmitted to the Earl of *Burlington*, and Lord Bishop of *London*, for the Time being, should be, from Time to Time, by the said Earl and Bishop, transmitted into the said Court to be filed by the Register thereof. And whereas in the Seventh Rule it is mentioned that the laying out the Money, the Manner of educating the Children, and all other Matters relating to the said Charity or the Execution of it, should be subject to such other Rules and Methods as should, from Time to Time thereafter, be transmitted to the said President and Masters, and his and their Successors, by the said Earl of *Burlington* and Bishop of *London*, for the Time being, or in Default thereof to such Rules and Methods as the Rector and Governors of the said College, for the Time being, should make or appoint: It was ordered, That such other Rules and Methods, touching the Charity, at any Time so made or appointed, should be first confirmed and approved of by the said Honorable Court. And it was further ordered, That *Micajah Perry*, of *London*, Merchant, should be allowed the
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Receiver of the Rents and Profits of the said Trust Estate, for the Purposes in the said Rules and Methods mentioned; who was, from Time to Time, to appoint a Receiver under him of the said Rents until further Order; and also, from Time to Time, to take and allow such Receiver's Accounts yearly, and to take the Account of the then Receiver of the said Rents, and of the Arrears in his Hands, since the Time of the said Purchase, as by the Proceedings and Decree of the said High Court of Chancery, in the same Court remaining, as of Record, Relation being thereunto had, more fully, and at large, doth, and may appear. And whereas by Reason of the Delays in founding the said College, and in completing the full Number of Masters, by the said Letters Patents required, the clear Rents of the said Manor of *Brasserton* have hitherto been paid to the surviving Trustees aforesaid, who have, from Time to Time, applied the same to the Education and maintaining such a Number of *Indian* Children as could be procured; and out of the said Charity have caused to be erected One convenient Building of Brick, for an *Indian* School, and for the Lodgings of such *Indian* Children as shall hereafter be brought into the said College; and for the educating of them

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from the first Beginning of Letters till they should be ready to receive Orders, and be thought sufficient to be sent abroad to preach and convert the *Indians*, have appointed a Master who is called the *Indian Master*, and shall hereafter be deemed the Sixth Master or Professor of the said College, and into the Place of that Master have chosen, nominated, and appointed *Richard Cocke*, Gentleman. And whereas by one Act of Assembly, made in the Fourth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *George* the First, of blessed Memory, entituled, *An Act for granting One Thousand Pounds out of the public Fund for the maintaining and educating of Scholars at the College of William and Mary, in Virginia*, it is enacted that the said Sum of One Thousand Pounds current Money of *Virginia* should be paid to the Governors and Visitors of the said College, to be by them laid out to the best Advantage for maintaining and educating such and so many ingenious Scholars as to them and their Successors should seem fit and expedient, having Regard in their Elections principally to the learning Virtue and straitned Circumstances of such Children, and that all Natives of the said Colony, and no other, should be freely admitted to the said Scholarships: Pursuant to which

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at certain Times, in the said Will mentioned; which said Sum the said Trustees have agreed to apply towards the better furnishing the Library of the said College with Books. And for continuing the Succession of the Visitors and Governors of the said College, the said Trustees, as often as any of their Number departed this Life, or removed him or themselves, and his or their Families out of the said Colony, with Design not to return, have, from Time to Time, chosen, nominated, and appointed some other Person or Persons of the principal Inhabitants of the said Colony into his or their Places; and the said *Stephen Fouace*, many Years ago, having removed himself and his Family into foreign Parts, the present Governors and Visitors of the said College do consist of the following Persons, that is to say, the said *James Blair*, Rector, the Honorable *William Gooch*, Esq; his Majesty's Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief of the said Colony, *Alexander Spotswood*, Esq; late Lieutenant-Governor of the said Colony, *Robert Carter*, of the County of *Lancaster*, *William Byrd*, of the County of *Charles-City*, *Mann Page*, of the County of *Glocester*, *Cole Digges*, of the County of *York*, *Peter Beverley*, of the County of *Glocester*, *John Robinson*, of *Spotsylvania* County, *John Carter*,

Carter, of the County of *Charles-City*, *John Grymes*, of *Middlesex* County, and *William Randolph*, of the County of *Henrico*, Esqs; Members of his Majesty's Council in the said Colony; *Emmanuel Jones*, of the Parish of *Petsworth*, in the County of *Glocester*, *Bartholomew Yates*, of the Parish of *Christ-Church*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and *John Skaife*, of the Parish of *Stratton-Major*, in the County of *King and Queen*, Clerks; *John Clayton*, *John Randolph*, and *William Robertson*, of *Williamsburg*, Esqs; and *William Cole*, of the County of *Warwick*, Esq; And whereas we the said *James Blair* and *Stephen Fouace* being the longest Livers of the said Trustees, have made and established certain Ordinances and Statutes for the better ordering and governing the said College and all Persons enjoying any Office or residing therein, which are set forth in a certain Schedule annexed to these Presents. And for as much as the determining the Trust aforesaid, and compleating the said College, which has been long delayed by the said Fire, and the low State of the Revenues aforesaid, is adjudged absolutely necessary for promoting the Welfare thereof, and the Advancement of Learning therein, and the General Assembly of the Colony aforesaid hath lately contributed Two Hundred

dred Pounds *per Annum* for One and Twenty
 Years for better carrying on the said Work.
 Now know ye, That we the said *James
 Blair* and *Stephen Fouace*, being the only
 surviving Trustees before named, in Exe-
 cution and Performance of the Trust in us
 reposed in Pursuance of the said recited
 Charter, and for and in Consideration of the
 Sum of Ten Shillings to us in Hand paid
 by the President and Masters, or Professors
 of the College of *William and Mary*, in *Vir-
 ginia*, the Receipt whereof we do hereby
 acknowledge, have granted, bargained, sold,
 aliened, released and transferred, and by
 these Presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien,
 release and transfer unto the said President
 and Masters, or Professors of the College of
William and Mary, in *Virginia*, all that
 Messuage commonly called the College,
 situate, lying and being in the Parish of
Bruton, in the County of *James-City* afore-
 said, near the City of *Williamsburg*, and all
 Houses, Edifices and Buildings, Courts,
 Gardens and Orchards thereunto belonging
 or appertaining : And all that Tract or Parcel
 of Land situate, lying and being, in the
 Parish of *Bruton*, in the County of *James-
 City* aforesaid, containing by Estimation
 Three Hundred and Thirty Acres, purchas-
 ed of *Thomas Ballard* as aforesaid : Also all
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that Tract or Parcel of Land situate, lying and being upon the South Side of *Blackwater* Swamp, in the County of *Surry* aforesaid, containing by Estimation Ten Thousand Acres: Also all that other Tract or Parcel of Land situate, lying and being in *Pamunkey* Neck aforesaid, containing by Estimation ten Thousand Acres; and also all that other Tract or Parcel of Land situate, lying and being on both Sides of *Nottoway* River, in the Counties of *Prince-George*, *Surry* and *Brunswick* as aforesaid, containing by Estimation Two Thousand One Hundred and Nineteen Acres. And all Houses, Edifices, Buildings, Gardens, Orchards, Pastures, Woods, Ways, Waters, Profits and Advantages whatsoever, held, used, occupied, or enjoyed with the said Lands, or to the same respectively belonging or appertaining, and the Reversion and Reversions, Remainder and Remainders of all and singular the Premises, and of every Part and Parcel thereof, and the Rents and Profits thereunto incident and belonging; and also all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Trust, Claim, and Demand whatsoever of us the said *James Blair* and *Stephen Fouace* in and to the same Premises, and every Part and Parcel thereof; and also the Reversion and Reversions, Remainder and Remainders of any other Lands and Tenements

ments now vested in the said Trustees by the Gift of any Person or Persons whatsoever : To have and to hold all and singular the said Messuage, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, with the Appurtenances, unto the said President and Masters, or Professors, of the College of *William and Mary*, in *Virginia*, and their Successors for ever. And we the said *James Blair* and *Stephen Fouace*, further, for the Considerations aforesaid, have granted, assigned, and transferred, and by these Presents do grant, assign, and transfer unto the said President and Masters, or Professors, of the said College of *William and Mary*, in *Virginia*, all the Negroe Slaves by the said Trustees, from Time to Time, purchased, now living upon the said Lands or any Part or Parcel thereof, and their Increase : Also all that entire Revenue of One Penny *per* Pound upon all Tobacco exported out of *Virginia* or *Maryland* to any other of the *British* Plantations in *America*, with all Tobacco Profits, Issues and Emoluments to be had or taken instead thereof, or arising by or from the same : Also the Office of Surveyor-General of the Colony of *Virginia* aforesaid : Also the said Legacy or Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds given by the said *Edward Hill* aforesaid : And also the said Sum of Three
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Hundred and Seventy-three Pounds Sixteen Shillings, Residue of the said Sum of One Thousand Pounds given by the said General Assembly as aforesaid, and the Interest thereof: And all other Debts now due or owing to the said Trustees by Virtue of the Trust aforesaid. And also all the Books, Household Goods, Utensils, and Furniture to the said College belonging: To have and to hold the said Negroe Slaves, the Revenue of One Penny *per* Pound upon Tobacco exported out of *Virginia* and *Maryland* as aforesaid, and the Office of Surveyor-General aforesaid, and all and singular other the Premises last mentioned, with all Profits, Issues, Emoluments, Perquisites, Fees, Advantages, Liberties, Places and Preeminences to the same respectively belonging or appertaining, to the said President and Masters, or Professors, of the College of *William* and *Mary*, in *Virginia*.

In Witness whereof we have hereunto
set our Hands, and affixed our Seals, this
Twenty-seventh Day of *February*, in the
Second Year of the Reign of our Sovereign
Lord King *George* the Second.

JAMES BLAIR, [L. S.]

STEPHEN FOUACE, [L. S.]

<p><i>Sealed and Delivered by the within named James Blair in the Presence of</i></p> <p>W^m GOOCH, MANN PAGE, JOHN GRYMES, JOHN CLAYTON, JOHN RANDOLPH.</p>	<p><i>Sealed and Delivered by the within named Stephen Fouace in the Presence of</i></p> <p>A. SPOTSWOOD, JOSHUA MONGER, ARTHUR GRYMES, } <i>(his Mark)</i> } SAM^l BLACKSHAW, } <i>at Mr. Cuel's, Sta-</i> } <i>tioner, in Chancery-</i> } <i>Lane, London,</i> } JOHN RANDOLPH.</p>
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THE Visitors and Governors of the College having, at their Meeting held the 26th of April, 1753, directed that there should be a new Impression of the Charter, and Statutes, and that the Transfer should be printed therewith. And it being represented, that, as in a Course of many Years Experience, it hath been found necessary to alter some of the Statutes, and that others of them yet need to be amended: They then also appointed a Committee to consider of such necessary Alterations; which Committee made their Report on the 6th of December, in the same Year, containing sundry proposed Alterations of the Statutes, which at that and two subsequent Meetings, the last of which was on the 29th of March, 1756, were maturely debated, agreed to, and established. And accordingly the Statutes, thus at several Times amended, were ordered to be printed, together with the Charter and Transfer. There are also added, at the End of the Statutes, certain Orders and Regulations respecting the Masters, Schools, Provisions, Board, Washing, and other Matters, which having been in like Manner proposed by a Committee, and reported the 28th of May, 1742, were then, and several Times afterwards, agreed to; and having thereby

thereby obtained the Force of Statutes were ordered to be printed with them. These several Matters being thus ordered, a Committee was appointed to prepare the whole for the Press: And as to the Statutes, it was thought proper that they be introduced under the same Title, and with the same Preface, with those at first published and printed.

STATUTA

STATUTA COLLEGII

Gulielmi & Mariæ,

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VIRGINIA.

Proæmium.

AD excolendos hominum animos & mores emendandos, quantam vim habeant bonarum literarum, artiumque liberalium studia vel inde constat, quod non solum olim apud *Hebræos, Ægyptios, Græcos, & Romanos*, literarum politiorum studia viguerunt; sed etiam posterioribus hisce seculis, eadem postquam Barbarorum incursionibus profligatæ aliquamdiu a communi hominum

THE
STATUTES
OF THE
COLLEGE
OF
WILLIAM *and* MARY,
IN
VIRGINIA.

The Preface.

*TOWARDS the cultivating the Minds
of Men, and rectifying their Manners,
what a mighty Influence the Studies of
good Letters, and the liberal Sciences have,
appears from hence, that these Studies not on-
ly flourished of Old amongst those famous Na-
tions the Hebrews, Egyptians, Greeks, and
Romans;*

hominum consuetudine exulassent, revocatæ sint, & apud plerasque Nationes in magno honore constitutæ. Hinc errorum in re religionis reformatio; hinc juventutis ad officia Virtutum christianarum & humanitatis institutio; hinc ad ecclesiæ & reipublicæ munia obeunda virorum idoneorum præparatio. Nullibi tamen apud Christianos ab ignorantia & barbarie magis periclitabatur quam apud *Angiorum* Colonias in *America*; in quibus quippe primi possessores duris laboribus in regione sylvis & vepribus obsita, & barbarorum incursionibus infesta, per multos annos vitam ægre admodum sustinuerunt. Nullæ tum scholæ aperiebantur; nullæ educationis in regionibus hisce dabatur opportunitas. Pauci admodum opulentiores filios in *Angliam* educationis ergo ablegabant: Illicque post longæ navigationis & varia ab hostibus pericula, cum cæli solique mutatione conjuncta, in varios incidentes morbos, multi morbillis & aliis morbis morte prærepti sunt. Ingens interea ingeniorum omnisque literaturæ defectus surrepserat, & nova hominum succreverat generatio, pejor avis, quæ si prima legendi & scribendi

Romans; but in the latter Ages of the World likewise, after a great Interruption and almost Destruction of them, through the Incursions of the barbarous Nations, they are at last retrieved, and set up with Honor in all considerable Nations. Upon this there followed the Reformation of many Errors and Abuses in the Point of Religion, and the Institution of Youth to the Duties of Christian Virtues and Civility; and a due Preparation of fit Persons for all Offices in Church and State. But no where was there any greater Danger on Account of Ignorance and want of Instruction, than in the English Colonies of America; in which the first Planters had much to do, in a Country over-run with Woods and Briers, and for many Years infested with the Incursions of the barbarous Indians, to earn a mean Livelihood with hard Labor. There were no Schools to be found in those Days, nor any Opportunity for good Education. Some few, and very few indeed, of the richer Sort, sent their Children to England to be educated. And there, after many Dangers from the Seas and Enemies, and unusual Distempers, occasioned by the Change of Country and Climate, they were often taken off by the Small-pox, and other Diseases. It was no Wonder if this occasioned a great Defect of Understanding, and all Sort of Literature, and that it was followed with

scribendi rudimenta didicerat, nullum ulterius cum musis commercium habebat; sed vitam ignobilem inter ligones & rastra, cæteraque instrumenta rustica solum transigebat. Restabat tamen nonnullum semen virorum qui saniora concilia in educatione juventutis, aut ipsi experti fuerant, aut ab aliis acceperant; horum privatis primum inter se colloquiis, postea cum pluribus re communicata, specimen quoddam collegii exaratum, ac Præsidi & Concilio exhibitum fuit Anno Dom' 1690; paulo ante adventum Vice-gubernatoris *Nicholsoni*, & ab ipsis proximo Conventui generali cum laude commendatum. Hoc opus sic bene cæptum progressum fecit non mediocrem sub Vice-gubernatore *Nicholsono*. Nam quamvis concilio Gubernatoris supremi, Domini *Howardi Effinghamii*, tunc in *Anglia* absentis, diu retardatus, nullum convocaverat Conventum generalem ante annum miliesimum sexcentesium nonagesimum primum; non tamen interea cessaverat designatum opus Collegii; ipse enim & Concilium per Brevia, ut vocant, subscriptiones incolarum ad promovendum opus illud pium invitaverant. Brevia isthæc a Præsfecto & Concilio

a new Generation of Men, far short of their Fore-Fathers, which, if they had the good Fortune, tho' at a very indifferent Rate, to read and write, had no further Commerce with the Muses, or learned Sciences; but spent their Life ignobly at the Hoe and Spade, and other Employments of an uncultivated and unpolished Country. There remained still notwithstanding, a small Remnant of Men of better Spirit, who had either had the Benefit of better Education themselves in their Mother-Country, or at least had heard of it from others. These Men's private Conferences among themselves being communicated to greater Numbers in the like Circumstances, produced at last a Scheme of a Free-School and College, which was by them exhibited to the President and Council, in the Year 1690; a little before the Arrival of Lieutenant-Governor Nicholson, which was afterwards recommended by them with Applause to the next ensuing General Assembly. This Work so luckily begun, made a very considerable Progress under his Government. For, altho' being tied up by Injunctions from my Lord Effingham, Chief Governor, who was then in England, he was not allowed to call an Assembly so soon as he would, yet that designed good Work did not sleep in the mean Time; for in that Interval of Assemblies he and the Council sent out Briefs, by which,

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cilio commissa curæ *Jacobi Blair*, (qui tunc nuper constitutus fuerat Commissarius Episcopi *Londinensis*, quique ab initio operi huic diligenter incubuerat) & paucis aliis verbi Dei ministris, subscriptiones ad valorem duarum mille librarum monetæ *Anglicanæ* procurarunt. Has excipiebat Conventus generalis in *Virginia* celeberrimus Anno 1691. Conventus hic, postquam specimen istud Collegii, tanquam *Virginicæ* aptissimum approbaverant, eundem *Jacobum Blair* Agentem & Oratorem suum constituentes, ipsum cum humili Supplicatione ad Regem *Gulielmum* & Reginam *Mariam* in *Angliam* delegarunt, orantes ut facultas & licentia concederetur quibusdam fiduciaris ab ipsis nominatis, ad fundandum ejusmodi collegium; utque ad sumptus in fundatione & edificatione ejusdem requisitos, & alendos Præsidem & Magistros impendendos, regia munificentia adjutarentur. *Blairus* non segniter provinciam hanc administravit, & propensos ad tam bonum opus Regis & Reginae animos reperiens, fretus etiam præcipue opera & patrocinio D. *Tillotsoni*, Archi-episcopi *Cantuariensis*, & D. *Comptoni*, Episcopi *Londinensis* aliisque ad bona opera promovenda propensis Episcopis, quibus tum ecclesia *Anglicana* abundabat; post varias Difficultates & obstacula
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and their own good Example, they invited and encouraged the Subscriptions of the Inhabitants. These Briefs were recommended to the Care and Management of Mr. Commissary Blair, a Minister, who had been one of the first Projectors of this good Work, and was a little before this made Commissary to the Bishop of London; with the Help of his Surrogats some of the most creditable Ministers of the Country, and brought in Subscriptions to the Value of Two Thousand Pounds Sterling. Upon this followed that famous General Assembly of the Year 1691. This Assembly not only approved that Scheme of a College, as well fitted to this Country, but resolved upon an humble Petition to King William and Queen Mary, for a Charter to impower certain Trustees that they named, to found such a College, and that their Majesties would likewise assist in the Funds necessary for building the Edifices, and maintaining the President and Masters. To deliver this Petition, and to negotiate this whole Affair, they made Mr. Blair their Agent to solicit it at the Court of England. Tho' both the King and Queen were exceeding well inclined, and the good Bishops, especially Dr. Tillotson, Archbishop of Canterbury, and Dr. Compton, Bishop of London, gave all Assistance; and Mr. Blair followed it with Diligence and Dexterity, it was a long Time before all the Difficulties

non pauca, biennio in legatione ista absumpto, diploma tandem regium quo fundaretur collegium, pecuniam etiam & varia dona in ædificationem ejusdem, & alendos Præsidem, & Magistros, seu Professores obtinuit, & ad opus perficiendum, tum Præses constitutus, fortiter sese accinxit. Sed in *Virginiam* reversus in multo majores in operis progressu incurrit difficultates, cum quibus per multos annos sibi colluctandum sensit. Sed omnia ista libenter prætereuntes (quæ Collegii everfionem minitabantur, præsertim postquam incendio ædificiis & bibliotheca subito destructis, nil restabat pecuniæ, unde reædificationis sumptus exsolverentur, ni patientia & frugalitate in reservandis Collegii redditibus & Reginae *Annæ* munificentia, tantum opus tandem cum laude consummatum fuisset) ad id quod nunc præ manibus est procedamus; Obstructionibus cunctis jam prope remotis, nihil magis necessarium esse videtur, quam ut secundum Concilium reverendissimi Cancellarii nostri D. *Wake*, Archi-episcopi *Can-
tuariensis*, regulæ & statuta ad bene gubernandum Collegium, omnesque tam Præsidem & Magistros, quam Discipulos aliosque intra illud inhabitantes, aut res ejusdem foras procurantes, post maturam cum D.
Cancellario

Difficulties, which were objected, were got over. But at last, after Two Years spent in that Service, an ample Charter was obtained, with several Gifts, both for Building and Endowment, for paying the President's and Masters Salaries; and Mr. Blair, by Advice of the General Assembly in Virginia, and the Bishops in England, being made President of the College, returned to see all put in Execution. In which for many Years afterwards he was involved in a great Number of Difficulties, some of which threatned the total Subversion of the Design. Especially when in the Year 1705, the Buildings and Library were destroyed by Fire; and there was no Money to repair the Loss. Yet at Length, by Patience and good Husbandry of the Revenues, and the Bounty of Queen Anne, the Work was finished a second Time to every one's Admiration. But to go on to another necessary Branch of this Design, which we are now about, other Obstructions being in good Measure removed, there seems to be nothing more necessary than that, according to the Advice of our most Reverend Chancellor Dr. Wake, Archbishop of Canterbury, some Rules and Statutes should be made for the good Government of the College; and of the President, and Masters, and Scholars, and all others, that either live in it, or are employed in the Management of its Affairs

Cancellario deliberationem conficiantur & præscribantur. Quoniam autem multa progressu temporis magis expedientia reperiuntur, cum Collegium a parvis initiis, ad majorem pervenerit perfectionem; nonnulla etiam corrigenda & immutanda pro statu casuum & circumstantiarum quæ tunc existent; omnia ejusmodi Visitatoribus & Gubernatoribus, pro tempore existentibus, addenda, minuenda, seu mutanda pro vario Academiæ statu, & linguarum, & artium studia promovendo, secundum potestatem & auctoritatem in Charta collegii fundatoria ipsis concessam, haud gravate relinquimus. Tantum ne quid temere sub disputationis ardore statuatur aut immutetur, volumus ut nullum novum Statutum inactitatum aut præscriptum sit, nisi postquam in duobus Gubernatorum Academiæ conventibus debite propositum, lectum, & consideratum fuerit.

De Senatu Academico.

DE numero auctoritate & potestate Senatus Academici in eligendo Cancellario, præside & magistris, & legibus academicis

fairs abroad, after mature Deliberation with the said Lord Archbishop, our Chancellor. But because in Progress of Time many Things will be found to be more expedient, when from small Beginnings the College shall have come to greater Perfection; and some Things too will want to be corrected and altered, as future Cases and Circumstances may require: All these Things we are very willing to leave to the Visitors and Governors, for the Time being, to be added, diminished and changed, according to the different Circumstances of the College, for promoting the Study of the learned Languages, and liberal Arts, according to the Powers granted them by the College Charter. Only that nothing may be enacted rashly, in the Heat of Disputation, no old Statute suddenly changed, or new One made; we recommend it for a Rule in these Matters, that no new Statute be enacted or prescribed, until it has been duly proposed, read and considered at Two several Meetings of the Governors of the College.

Concerning the College Senate.

***A**S to the Number, Authority, and Power of the College Senate, in chusing the Chancellor, and the President, and Masters, and*

demicis præscribendis & mutandis satis in Charta fundatoria Academiæ explicatum est. Unde apparet quantum in ipsis momenti sit, & quantum bona ipsorum electio ad probam collegii gubernationem conducat.

In electione igitur omnium Academiæ visitatorum & gubernatorum præferantur, qui moribus probi, doctrina secundum reformatam ecclesiam *Anglicanam* sani, academicæ & politioris literaturæ patroni, & cives ditiores, qui patrocínio suo, collegio, si opus sit, infervire possint.

Caveat Senatus academicus ne ullæ vel inter seipfos, vel inter præsidem & magistrōs dissensiones, seu partium studia foveantur; curetque ut omnia quiete & moderate & absque ulla erga quemvis gratia aut odio transigantur.

Authoritatem ordinariam præsidis & magistrorum in administrando quotidiano regimine academiæ tueantur & supportent, & querimonias ordinarias domesticas ad ipsos referant; nec nisi in extraordinariis, ubi dignus

and in appointing and changing of Statutes, all this is sufficiently set forth in the College Charter. From whence it is evident, how much depends upon them, and how far a good Election of them conduces to the good Government of the College.

Therefore in the Election of all Visitors and Governors of the College, let such be preferred as are Persons of good Morals, and sound in the Doctrine of the reformed Church of England; and Friends and Patrons of the College and polite Learning; and Gentlemen in good Circumstances, such as by their Interest, if there be Occasion, can patronize and serve the College.

Let the College Senate beware, that no Differences or Parties be held up and cherished, either amongst themselves, or the President and Masters; and let them take Care that all Things be transacted quietly and moderately, without Favor or Hatred to any Person whatsoever.

Let them maintain and support the ordinary Authority of the President and Masters in the Administration of the daily Government of the College, and let them refer all common domestick Complaints to them: And

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dignus vindice nodus, aut corruptio aliqua reformanda, aut Statutum novum condendum, aut aliud quidpiam magni momenti transigendum est, molestiam sibi fieri permittant.

In electione Præsidis, & Magistrorum seu Professorum, præcipuam doctrinæ, pietatis, sobrietatis, prudentiæ, morum probitatis, ordinis & disciplinæ observantiæ, & ingenii pacifici considerationem habeant, & absque personarum respectu tales in loca vacantia eligant.

De Cancellario.

CANCELLARIUS est velut Academiæ *Mecænas*, aut patronus, qui res ipsius apud regem gratia, & apud omnes alios auctoritate in *Anglia* administrare possit. Ejus præcipue in omnibus arduis Academiæ negotiis in *Anglia* transigendis Consilium adhibendum est. Si ulli ad Regem aut Reginam libelli supplices ab Academia transmittantur, per Cancellarium præsententur.

not suffer themselves to be troubled, except in Matters of great Moment, where there is some Difficulty to be got over, or some Corruption or ill Practice to be reformed, or a new Statute to be made, or some other weighty Business to be transacted.

In the Election of a President or Masters, let them have a principal Regard to their Learning, Piety, Sobriety, Prudence, good Morals, Orderliness and Observance of Discipline, and that they be of a quiet and peaceable Spirit; and let them chuse such Persons into the vacant Places without Respect of Persons.

Of the Chancellor.

THE Chancellor is to be the Mæcenas or Patron of the College, such a One as by his Favor with the King, and by his Interest with all other Persons in England, may be enabled to help on all the College Affairs. His Advice is to be taken, especially in all such arduous and momentous Affairs, as the College shall have to do in England. If the College has any Petitions at any Time to the King or Queen, let them be presented by their Chancellor.

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Si novo Præside, vel Professore, aut Magistro, ex *Britannia* Academiae opus erit, ipsius ope & concilio, & recommendatione Senatus Academicus praecipue nitatur.

De Præside, & Magistris, & Scholis.

TRIA sunt quæ fundatores Collegii hujus sibi proposuerunt, ad quæ Statuta ejus omnia respicere & collimare debent. Primum est ut *Virginiae* juvenus in bonis moribus & literis probe educetur. Secundum, ut ecclesia *Americana*, praecipue *Virginienfis* bonis pastoribus, secundum doctrinam & ritus ecclesiae *Anglicanae*, tanquam ex seminario debite suppeditetur. Tertium, ut *Indi Americani* in religione Christiana instruantur, & ut ex ipsis quidam maxime probis moribus imbuti, & in schola theologica prius praeparati, ad praedicandum Evangelium apud suos, lingua ipsorum propria dimittantur, postquam rite in diaconos & presbyteros ordinati fuerint.

If the College wants a new President, or Professor, or Master, out of Great-Britain, let the College Senate rely chiefly on his Assistance, Advice, and Recommendation.

Concerning the President, and Masters, and Schools.

*T*HERE are Three Things which the Founders of this College proposed to themselves, to which all its Statutes should be directed. The First is, That the Youth of Virginia should be well educated to Learning and good Morals. The Second is, That the Churches of America, especially Virginia, should be supplied with good Ministers after the Doctrine and Government of the Church of England; and that the College should be a constant Seminary for this Purpose. The Third is, That the Indians of America should be instructed in the Christian Religion, and that some of the Indian Youth that are well-behaved and well-inclined, being first well prepared in the Divinity School, may be sent out to preach the Gospel to their Countrymen in their own Tongue, after they have duly been put in Orders of Deacons and Priests.

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Ad hos tam præclaros fines assequendos, quatuor scholæ intra collegii hujus limites assignentur, de quibus, cum Magistris, seu professoribus, ad easdem pertinentibus, nonnulla decernenda sunt.

Schola Grammaticalis.

AD hanc scholam pertinent Ludi-magister, & si numerus discipulorum id requirit, hypodidascalus. Ludi-magister est unus e sex Magistris, e quibus cum Præfide & Scholaribus Collegium consistit; non item hypodidascalus. Pro salario annuo solvantur Ludi-magistro, centum & quinquaginta libræ monetæ *Anglicanæ*; & ab unoquoque discipulo viginti solidi ejusdem monetæ, quando nullus est hypodidascalus. Sin vero hypodidascalus sit quoque in ista Schola, quindecim solidi solvantur Ludi-magistro, & quinque hypodidascalo. Pro salario annuo solvantur hypodidascalo septuaginta quinque libræ monetæ *Anglicanæ*. A pauperioribus tamen, qui Academiae sumptibus aluntur, nihil a Ludi-magistro vel hypodidascalo exigatur, sed gratis instruantur.

For carrying on these noble Designs, let there be Four Schools assigned within the College Precincts; of which, together with the Masters, or Professors, belonging to them, some Directions must be given.

The Grammar School.

***T**O this School belongs a School-Master; and if the Number of Scholars requires it, an Usher. The School-Master is One of the Six Masters, of whom, with the President, and Scholars, the College consists. But the Usher is not reckoned a Member of that Body. Let there be paid in yearly Salary to the School-Master, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sterling, and Twenty Shillings Sterling from each Scholar, by the Year, when there is no Usher. But if there be an Usher too in that School, let Fifteen Shillings be paid to the Master, and Five to the Usher; and for a yearly Salary, let there be paid to the Usher, Seventy-five Pounds Sterling. But from the poor Scholars, who are upon any charitable College Foundation, neither the Master, nor Usher, are to take any School Wages; but they are to be taught Gratis.*

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In hac schola grammaticali linguæ latina & græca accurate doceantur. Pro rudimentis, grammaticis, & authoribus ut vocantur classicis, utrisque linguæ, iisdem volumus utantur libris, qui lege vel consuetudine in scholis *Angliæ* obtinent. Permittimus tamen Ludi-magistro, ut si quas habet in grammaticam latinam vel græcam, aut in authores, qui illic præleguntur, observationes, easdem assentiente, vel saltem non repugnan- te Præside, scholaribus dictare liceat. Diligenter caveat Ludi-magister ne cujusvis, quantumvis probati authoris, partem aliquam discipulis prælegat, quæ contra pietatem aut bonos mores ipsis quidpiam insinuet.

¶ Morum etiam præcipua erit cura, ut nemo scholarium mentiri, jurare, obscæne quidpiam loqui vel facere, pugnare, alea vel foliis lusoriis ludere, computare, vel aliud quidpiam contra bonos mores facere audeat; utque omnes ejusmodi culpæ facilius detegantur, fidissimos eliget & constituet observatores Ludi-magister publicos, qui ad ipsum omnia deferant, & pro culpæ merito disciplina utatur æqua, absque ullo personarum respectu.

Hypodidascaleus

In this Grammar School let the Latin and Greek Tongues be well taught. As for Rudiments and Grammars, and Classick Authors of each Tongue, let them teach the same Books which by Law or Custom are used in the Schools of England. Nevertheless, we allow the School-master the Liberty, if he has any Observations on the Latin or Greek Grammars, or any of the Authors that are taught in his School, that with the Approbation of the President, he may dictate them to the Scholars. Let the Master take special Care, that if the Author is never so well approved on other Accounts, he teach no such Part of him to his Scholars, as insinuates any thing against Religion and good Morals.

Special Care likewise must be taken of their Morals, that none of the Scholars presume to tell a Lie, or curse or swear, or talk or do any Thing obscene, or quarrel and fight, or play at Cards or Dice, or set in to Drinking, or do any Thing else that is contrary to good Manners. And that all such Faults may be so much the more easily detected, the Master shall chuse some of the most trusty Scholars for public Observators, to give him an Account of all such Transgressions, and according to the Degrees of Heinousness of the Crime, let the Discipline be used without Respect of Persons.

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Hypodidascalus, quoad methodum docendi & scholæ regimen, in omnibus, tanquam superiori, Ludi-magistro morem gerito.

Diebus *Saturni* & profestis, lectio præscribatur sacra ex *Castalionis* dialogis aut *Buchanani* psalmorum paraphrasi, aut quocunque alio libro pio a Præsidente & Ludi-magistro saltem comprobato, pro captu puerorum, quæ diebus *Lunæ* & post festa mane reddatur.

Curabit etiam Ludi-magister ut catechismum *Anglicanum* lingua vulgari omnes addiscant; provectiores etiam lingua latina.

Priusquam ad scholam philosophicam promoveantur, si qui ad privilegia & reditus scholarium aspirant, examen prius subeant coram Præsidente, & Magistris, seu Professoribus, aut Pastoribus, & quibusvis aliis linguarum peritis, utrum debitos in lingua latina & græca progressus fecerint. Idem quoque examen habeatur de ipsorum progressu in studio philosophiæ prius quam ad.

As to the Method of teaching, and of the Government of the School, let the Usher be obedient to the Master in every Thing, as to his Superior.

On Saturdays and the Eves of Holidays, let a sacred Lesson be prescribed out of Castalio's Dialogues, or Buchanan's Paraphrase of the Psalms, or any other good Book which the President and Master shall approve of, according to the Capacity of the Boys, of which an Account is to be taken on Monday, and the next Day after the Holidays.

The Master shall likewise take Care that all the Scholars learn the Church of England Catechism in the vulgar Tongue; and that they who are further advanced learn it likewise in Latin.

Before they are promoted to the Philosophy School, they who aim at the Privileges and Revenue of a Foundation Scholar, must first undergo an Examination before the President and Masters, and Ministers skilful in the learned Languages; whether they have made due Progress in their Latin and Greek. And let the same Examination be undergone concerning their Progress in the Study of Philosophy.

ad scholam theologicam promoveantur. Et nemo ignavus aut ingenio tardiori in scholarem eligatur.

Sin ampliores sint scholarium proventus quam ut tribus philosophiæ & totidem theologiæ candidatis sufficere possint, quod reliquum est in incipientes in schola grammaticali impendatur.

Schola Philosophica.

QUANDOQUIDEM meliores in philosophia progressus nunc indies videmus quam quos exhibuerunt *Aristotelis* logica & physica, quæ tam diu in scholis, omnibus aliis exclusis, solæ regnarunt, idcirco Præsidi & magistris relinquimus, consulto tamen prius Domino Cancellario, quæ logicæ, physicæ, ethicæ, & mathematicæ systemata in scholis doceantur. Volumus etiam ut præter disputationes, exerceantur juvenes studiosi in orationibus & thematibus variis, sed non e sacro textu desumptis. Hæc scilicet scholæ theologicæ relinquimus.

In schola philosophica duos magistros seu professores constituimus, qui pro salario annuo

sophy, before they are promoted to the Divinity School. And let no Blockhead or lazy Fellow in his Studies be elected

If the Revenues of the College for the Scholars, are so well before-hand, that they are more than will serve Three Candidates in Philosophy, and as many in Divinity, then what is left let it be bestowed on Beginners in the Grammar School.

The Philosophy School.

FOR as much as we see now daily a further Progress in Philosophy, than could be made by Aristotle's Logick and Physicks, which reigned so long alone in the Schools, and shut out all other; therefore we leave it to the President and Masters, by the Advice of the Chancellor, to teach what Systems of Logick, Physicks, Ethicks, and Mathematicks, they think fit in their Schools. Further we judge it requisite, that besides Disputations, the studious Youth be exercised in Declamations and Themes on various Subjects, but not any taken out of the Bible. Those we leave to the Divinity School.

In the Philosophy School we appoint Two Masters or Professors, who for their yearly Salary

nuo octoginta libras monetæ *Anglicanæ* singuli accipiant, & ab unoquoque discipulo viginti solidos per annum; exceptis pauperioribus, qui Academiæ aluntur expensis; hi enim gratis instituentur.

Magistrorum istorum alter rhetoricam, logicam & ethicam, docebit; alter physicam, metaphysicam, & mathematicam.

Et quo his studiis magis alacriter incumbat juvenus Academica, & ad honores aspiret, pro forma & institutione celeberrimarum in *Anglia* Academiarum, quatuor annos assignamus, priusquam gradum Baccalarii, & septem priusquam lauream magistralem assequantur.

Schola Theologica.

IN hac schola duo sint professores cum salario annuo utrique centum & quinquaginta librarum monetæ *Anglicanæ*; & nihil a studentibus, seu theologiæ candidatis exigatur.

Professorum

Salary shall each of them receive Eighty Pounds Sterling, and Twenty Shillings Sterling a Year from each Scholar, except such poor Ones as are entertained at the College Charge, upon the Foundation; for they are to be taught Gratis.

One of these Masters shall teach Rhetorick, Logick, and Ethicks. The other Physicks, Metaphysicks, and Mathematicks.

And that the Youth of the College may the more chearfully apply themselves to these Studies, and endeavour to rise to the Academic Degrees, we do, according to the Form and Institution of the Two famous Universities in England, allot Four Years before they attain to the Degree of Batchelor, and Seven Years before they attain the Degree of Master of Arts.

The Divinity School.

IN this School let there be Two Professors, with a Salary of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sterling to each; they are to have nothing from the Students or Candidates of Theology.

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Professorum alter doceat linguam *Hebraeam*, & critice exponat sensum literalem S. Scripturæ tam veteris quam novi Testamenti.

Alter explicet locos communes theologiæ, & controversias cum quibusvis hæreticis; & de iisdem lectiones & disputationes habeat.

Inter hos duos studiorum tempora partiantur studiosi theologiæ.

Schola Indica.

IN hac Schola unus Magister *Indorum* pueros doceat legere, scribere, & vulgarem arithmeticam. Præcipue catechismum, & christianæ religionis institutiones diligenter inculcet. Pro salario habeat quadraginta aut quinquaginta libras monetæ *Anglicanæ*, secundum Facultates ejusdem scholæ a prænobili *Roberto Boyle* assignatas, aut ab aliis Benefactoribus postea assignandas. In eadem schola liceat ipsi quoque alios ex urbe docere discipulos, & mercedem pro isto opere solitam viginti solidorum per annum exigere.

Let one of these Professors teach the Hebrew Tongue, and critically expound the literal Sense of the Holy Scripture both of the Old and New Testament.

Let the other explain the common Places of Divinity, and the Controversies with Hereticks; and let them have Prelections and Disputations on those Subjects.

And let the Students of Divinity divide their Time betwixt those Two Professors.

The Indian School.

*T*HERE is but One Master in this School who is to teach the Indian Boys to read, and write, and vulgar Arithmetick. And especially he is to teach them thoroughly the Catechism and the Principles of the Christian Religion. For a yearly Salary, let him have Forty or Fifty Pounds Sterling, according to the Ability of that School, appointed by the Honorable Robert Boyle, or to be further appointed by other Benefactors. And in the same School the Master may be permitted to teach other Scholars from the Town, for which he is to take the usual Wages of Twenty Shillings a Year.

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De Præside.

UT muneri quisque suo diligentius incumbat, præter sex Professores seu Magistros, Præsidem cæterorum Supervisorem constituimus. In Præsidem eligatur quidam vir gravis, in sacris ordinibus constitutus, vitæ inculpatae, & famæ honestæ, & non minus triginta annis natus. Beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum cum cura animarum, non nisi unicum possidebit; idque tam prope a Collegio distans, ut ordinariam Academiæ curam non impediat. Electio ipsius Collegii Gubernatoribus committatur. Præter doctrinam & mores inculpatos curandum est ut sit prudens, peritus, & in negotiis procurandis industrius ac diligens; ac in omnibus honorem & commoda Academiæ suis aut aliorum quorumcunque semper præferat. Cæteris Magistris & professoribus diligenter invigilet, ut muneribus suis non desint. Scholares coram ipso sæpius Professores & Magistri examinent; eosdem ipse etiam seorsim a Præceptoribus sæpius examinabit, ut ad majorem in studiis diligentiam tam Præceptores quam

Concerning the President.

THAT every One may so much the more diligently wait upon his proper Office, besides the Six Professors or Masters, we have appointed a President to be Supervisor of the rest. Let there be chosen for a President, a Man of Gravity, that is in Holy Orders, of an unblemished Life, and good Reputation, and not under Thirty Years of Age. Of Ecclesiastical Benefices that have a Cure of Souls annexed, he shall not possess above One, and that of so near a Distance from the College, that it may not hinder his ordinary Care and Attendance upon the College. Let the Election of him be entrusted with the Governors of the College. Besides Learning, and an unblemished good Life, Care must be taken that he be a Man of Prudence, and skilful in Business, and industrious and diligent in the Management of all Affairs; always preferring the Honor and Interest of the College, to his own or any other Person's Concerns. Let him have a watchful Eye over the other Masters and Professors, that they be not absent from their Employments. Let the Masters often examine the Scholars in his Presence; and let him likewise often examine them a-part from their
Masters.

quam discipuli excitentur. In explicatione quoque S. Scripturæ aut in themate quodam theologico aut controversia aliqua adversus temporis cujusque hæreticos, lectionem theologicam quater in anno habeat. Et curet ut duo reliqui Professores theologici suas lectiones & disputationes diligenter obeant. Collegii redditus & expensas diligenter inspiciat, & curet ut semel saltem quotannis finale computum omnium reddituum & expensarum perficiatur, & si opus est, Visitatoribus & Gubernatoribus in conventu ipsorum generali exhibeatur. Commercio epistolico de Statu & Negotiis Collegii cum omnibus & præcipue cum Cancellario de tempore in tempus incumbat. Conventus ordinarios instituat, & in iisdem præsit, & ut accurate a scriba sensus Conventus in libros transcribatur, omnia ab ipso exscripta prius relegat, & si opus est, errata corrigat, & omissa restituat. Utque ædificia debite reparentur, & sustineantur provide curabit. Utque plenius de omnibus Collegii negotiis informari possint Vi-

sitatores

Masters, that both Masters and Scholars may be excited to greater Diligence in their Studies. Let him likewise have a Theological Lecture Four Times a Year in the Explication of Scripture, or some Theological Subject, or on some Controversy against Hereticks. And let him take Care that the other Two Professors diligently attend their Lectures and Disputations. Let him diligently inspect into the Revenues and Expences of the College, and see that once a Year at least a full Account be perfected of all Receipts and Issues; and that if there be Occasion for it, it be laid before the Visitors and Governors at their General Meeting. Whatever Business of the College requires Epistolary Commerce with any Persons, he must take Care to write about it, especially to the Chancellor. He is to appoint the Times for the ordinary Meetings of himself and the Masters, at which he is to preside. And to the End, that all Things past at these Meetings may be truly entered in Books by the Scribe of the Meeting, the President shall first read over the Minutes, and if there be Occasion, correct the Errors and Omissions: He must provide in due Time that the Edifices be duly kept up and repaired. And that the Visitors and Governors of the College may be the better informed of every Thing relating to it, let the
President

fitatores & Gubernatores, Præsides eorum
concessibus & conciliis intersit.

Præsidi in salarium annuum ducenæ li-
bræ monetæ *Anglicanæ* assignentur, cum
domo & horto Statui ipsius conveniente
quam primum Collegii reditus omnes istius-
modi sumptus suppeditare poterint.

De Gubernatione Collegii ordinaria.

GUBERNATIO Collegii ordinaria sit
penes Præsidem & sex Magistros;
duos scilicet Professores theologicos, duos
philosophicos, duos etiam scholæ gram-
maticalis, & scholæ *Indicæ* Ludi-magistros.
Potestas convocandi, prorogandi, & dimit-
tendi istiusmodi Conventus sit penes Præsi-
dem. Quod ad negotia in ejusmodi Con-
ventibus tractanda, in primis curabunt ut
omnia Academiae Statuta diligenter execu-
tioni mandentur. Si quæ incommoda Sta-
tuta correctione aut immutatione egeant
hæc omnia cum desideratis emendationibus
Conventui generali Gubernatorum & Visita-
torum modeste proponant, eorumque deli-
berationi submittant. Querimoniarum omnes,
queis præceptores singuli in scholis suis ob-
viam

President be always allowed to be, and accordingly let him be present at all their Meetings and Councils.

Let the President's yearly Salary be Two Hundred Pounds Sterling, with an House and Garden suitable to the Place, so soon as the College Revenues will bear all these Expences.

Of the ordinary Government of the College.

LET the ordinary Government of the College be in the President and the Six Masters, viz. the Two Professors of Divinity; and the Two Professors of Philosophy, and the Master of the Grammar School, and the Master of the Indian School. Let the Power of calling, proroguing, and dismissing this Sort of Meetings be in the President. As to the Business to be treated of in these Meetings, in the first Place it must be their Care that all the Statutes of the College be diligently put in Execution. If any of the Statutes are found to be inconvenient, so as to want to be amended or changed, let them modestly propose all such desired Amendments to the General Meeting of the Visitors and Governors, and submit them to their Deliberation. Let all Complaints and Grievances, which the Masters in their particular

viam ire nequeunt, huc deferantur, primo sc. ad præsidem ; & ab illo ad Conventum Magistrorum. Nominatio & electio omnium officiariorum ad negotia Academiæ necessariorum, Hypodidascale sc. in schola grammaticali, bursarii, bibliothecarii, ostiarii, coqui, mancipis, & hortulani, opificum quoque ad ædificationes aut reparationes requisitorum, eorum etiam qui artem scribendi docent, sit penes ipsos. In negotiis tamen minoribus sufficiat Præsidis mandatum, verbo tenus pronunciatum. Si quæ Statuta debitis pænis aut mulctis non muniantur, istiusmodi pænarum aut mulctarum appunctuatio ad Conventum hunc referatur. Omnia hic, quantum fieri potest, unanimiter, id si nequeat, suffragiorum majore numero transigantur. Si paria sint suffragia, qui a parte Præsidis sunt, pro majore numero habeantur.

In negotiis majoribus, præcipue ubi inter Præsidem & Magistros non bene convenit, consulatur Senatus Academicus, e Gubernatoribus & Visitatoribus constans, eorumque præscripto lites omnes majores determinentur.

Præses

particular Schools cannot redress, be brought first to the President, and by him to the Meeting of the Masters. To this Meeting belongs the Election and Nomination of all Officers that are necessary or requisite for the College Business, such as the Usher in the Grammar School, the Bursar, the Library-keeper, the Janitor, the Cook, the Butler, and Gardener, the Writing-master, the Workmen for building or repairing; Bailiffs and Overseers. But in lesser Matters the President's Order by Word of Mouth may suffice. If any of the Statutes are not backed and fortified with due Penalties and Mulcts, the setting of such Mulcts and Penalties is referred to this Meeting of the President and Masters. Let all things in this Meeting, if possible, be transacted unanimously; if that cannot be, let the Decision be by Plurality of Votes. If the Votes are equal, the Side on which the President is, shall be taken for the major Part.

In all Business of great Weight and Consequence especially if the President and Masters cannot agree, let the College Senate, consisting of the Visitors and Governors, be consulted; and by their Determination let all the greater Differences be decided.

Præses & Magistri, ad evitandum omne hæresios, scismatis, aut perduellionis periculum, priusquam munera ista adeant, assensum dabunt articulis fidei Christianæ eodem modo, & iisdem verbis quibus verbi Dei ministri in ecclesia *Anglicana* statuto Parliamento assentiri tenentur articulis ecclesiæ *Anglicanæ*. Eodem modo quoque fidem præstabunt Regi vel Reginae pro tempore in *Anglia* regnantibus. Sacramento etiam de fidei muneris administratione secundum Collegii Statuta coram Præsede & Magistris conscientias suas astringent, tactis S. S. Evangeliiis. Hæc omnia sub pæna privationis muneris & salarii.

De Scholaribus.

SCHOLARES duorum sunt generum; eorum scilicet qui propriis aluntur expensis, & mercedem solvunt, in scholis, ubi Magistris sc. permittitur mercedem a discipulis accipere; & aliorum qui Academiæ aluntur expensis.

Quod

For avoiding the Danger of Heresy, Schism, and Disloyalty, let the President and Masters, before they enter upon these Offices, give their Assent to the Articles of the Christian Faith, in the same Manner, and in the same Words, as the Ministers in England, by Act of Parliament are obliged to sign the Articles of the Church of England. And in the same Manner too they shall take the Oaths of Allegiance to the King or Queen of England. And further, they shall take an Oath that they will faithfully discharge their Office, according to the College Statutes, before the President and Masters, upon the Holy Evangelists. All this under the Penalty of being deprived of their Office and Salary.

Of the Scholars.

THERE are Two Sorts of Scholars; one is of them who are maintained at their own Charge, and pay School Wages in the Schools where the Masters are allowed to take Wages as above; the other Sort is of those who are maintained at the College's Charge.

Quod ad prioris generis scholares, liberum relinquimus ipsorum parentibus & guardianis utrum ad Collegii mensam, & intra Collegii septa, an alibi in urbe aut prope Collegium in villa aliqua suburbana victitent & contubernentur; cum enim consilium & intentio nostra sit, ut quam minimo sumptu juvenus literas humaniores, cæterasque artes liberales & scientias addiscat. Si qui domos habent tam prope sitas, ut inde convenienter campanæ Academiæ audiri, & publicæ studiorum horæ observari possint, nolumus. Statutis hisce nostris eos impedire quo minus filios suos aut amicorum apud se alant, & hospitio accipiant. Speramus tamen omnia intra Collegium tam bene accommodata fore, ut non alibi melius, aut pretio minori contubernari possit.

Cubicula Collegii præterquam quæ Præfidi & Magistris, cæterisque officiariis necessaria sunt mercede moderata pueris ditioribus & natu majoribus allocentur. Pecunia inde proveniens in reparationem ædificiorum Collegii impendatur.

As to the First Sort of Scholars, we leave their Parents and Guardians at Liberty whether they shall lodge and eat within the College or elsewhere in the Town, or any Country Village near the Town. For it being our Intention that the Youth, with as little Charge as they can, should learn the learned Languages and the other liberal Arts and Sciences: If any have their Houses so near the College, that from thence the College Bells can be heard, and the public Hours of Study be duly observed, we would not by these our Statutes hinder them from boarding their own Children, or their Friends, or from lodging them at their own Houses. Nevertheless we hope that all Things relating to the Table or Lodging will be so well supplied within the College, that they can be no where cheaper or better accommodated.

Let the spare Chambers of the College, over and above what are necessary for the President and Masters, and other Officers of the College, be let out at moderate Rents to the better Sort of the big Boys; and let the Money they yield be laid out in the Reparation of the Edifices of the College.

Out

E scholaribus eligantur quot secundum redditus in illum usum appunctuatos Collegium alere possit, qui deinceps in schola philosophica & theologica diligenter instituantur & alantur, usque dum ad sacros ordines, & ad munus ac officium aliquod in ecclesia promoti fuerint. In hujusmodi scholaribus eligendis, electio fiat per Senatuum Academicum; & præcipua ratio habeatur inopiæ, ingenii, doctrinæ, pietatis, & morum probitatis. Et quo magis quis ex eligendorum numero in his excedit, eo magis, ut æquum est, præferatur.

De Bursario seu Thesaurario.

QUONIAM Collegii hujus status, in hac ipsius infantia, nondum admittit multos officarios, qui forte auctioribus ipsius redditibus, & crescente Scholarium numero, postea necessarii erunt; idcirco regulas de mancipe, coquo, janitore, bibliothecario, hortulano, & cæteris Collegii officiariis, ad Præsidem & Magistros referentes, qui ipsorum officia & salaria ubi Collegio

Out of the Scholars let there be chosen to be put upon the Foundation, as many as the College can maintain out of the Funds allotted for that Purpose. And let them be thereafter diligently instructed and maintained, till they are put in Orders, and preferred to some Place and Office in the Church. The Election of this Sort of Scholars let it be in the Visitors; and in that Election let them chiefly regard, besides their Poverty, their Ingeniousness, Learning, Piety, and good Behaviour, as to their Morals. And the more any one of the Candidates excels in these Things, he has so much the better Title to be preferred; and let him be preferred accordingly.

Of the College Bursar or Treasurer.

BECAUSE the Circumstances of the College in this its Infancy, will not as yet admit of many Officers, who perhaps when it comes to be richer in Revenues, and has a greater Number of Students, will become necessary: Therefore referring the Rules concerning the Butler, Cook, Janitor, Library-keeper, Gardener, and other Officers, to the President and Masters, who are to direct their Offices.

Collegio necessarii fuerint, præscribent, de unico Bursario regulæ quædam in præsens formandæ sunt.

Bursarii est diligenter & mature omnes Collegii redditus & proventus quoscunque colligere, & eosdem in arca bene munita asservare; salaria etiam Præsidi, Magistris, seu Professoribus, & Scholaribus debita omnesque alios Academiae sumptus juste, & in tempore debito solvere; & pro omnibus apochas recipere. Horum omnium acceptorum sc. & expensorum computa libris computationum inserta exacte describantur, & a Præside & Magistris singulis semestribus examinata, exoneratione eorundem in iisdem libris sub Præsidis & Magistrorum nominibus annotetur.

Præses & Magistri virum ad opus hoc maxime aptum & idoneum, & qui solvendo est, datis quoque fide-jussoribus, de tempore in tempus eligent. Pro salario habebit, quicquid Senatui Academico æquum visum fuerit, habita laboris cujusque bursarii & meriti ratione, ultra omnes expensas, quas in refractariis cogendis, equis, aut nunciis, aut attornatibus conducendis, aut

Offices and Salaries, as the College shall find them useful and necessary; we shall only at present lay down some Rules concerning the Bursar or College Treasurer.

It belongs to the Bursar timely and diligently to gather in all the College Revenues, or whatever else is due to it; and to keep the Money in a strong Chest. Likewise to pay to the President, Masters, or Professors, and the Foundation Scholars their several Salaries, and to pay all other College Debts and Expences honestly, and in due Time; and to take Discharges and Receipts for every Thing. Let the Accounts of all Incomes and Disbursements be exactly entered in Account Books; and after they are audited and examined once in Half a Year by the President and Masters, that Examination, and their Discharge shall be entered in the same Count-Books, signed by the President's and Masters Names.

Let the President and Masters from Time to Time chuse a Man fit for this Business, such a one as is responsible, and well able to pay, and who shall likewise give good Security. For Salary he shall have whatever the Meeting of the Visitors shall think reasonable, according to the Trouble and Desert of each Bursar, besides his Expences in suing at Law

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e longinquo, puta terra *Mariæ*, pecunia oportanda, aut recuperanda, solvere necessarium erit.

De Terminis observandis.

TERMINI in quibus aperiuntur scholæ grammaticalis & *Indica* tres sunt; terminus *Hilarii* incipiat die *Lunæ* post *Epiphaniam*; exeat vero die sabbati dominicam *Palmarum* precedente. Terminus *Paschæ* incipiat die *Lunæ* post dominicam in albis; exeat vero in vigilia diei dominicæ ante *Pentecosten*. Terminus *Trinitatis* incipiat die *Lunæ* post dominicam *Trinitatis*, & finiat *Decembris* decimo sexto. Eisdem terminos observent cæteræ scholæ; excepto solummodo quod scholæ Philosophicæ & Theologicæ ferias concedimus a festo S. *Jacobi* usque ad festum S. *Luæ*. Quoniam vero frequenti examinatione efficitur ut discipulorum studia & progressus in bonarum artium disciplinis majorem in modum promoveantur, volumus ut in cujusque termini initio singularum scholarum & classium discipuli publice in aula congregati examinentur, quomodo profecerint in earum linguarum

for any Debts due to the College, or any other Charges he has been out in Horses and Messages, or in recovering the College Dues, or carrying the Money from Maryland, or any other very remote Place.

Of the Terms to be kept.

LET there be Three Terms for opening the Grammar and the Indian School. Let Hilary Term begin the First Monday after Epiphany, and end on Saturday before Palm-Sunday. Let Easter Term begin on Monday after the First Sunday after Easter; and let it end in the Eve of the Sunday before Whit-Sunday. Let Trinity Term begin on Monday after Trinity Sunday; and end on the Sixteenth Day of December. Let the other Schools observe the same Terms; except only, that to the Philosophy and Divinity Schools we grant Vacation from St. James's Day to St. Luke's. And because by frequent Examination the Studies of Scholars are much promoted, we appoint that in the Beginning of every Term the Scholars of all the Schools and the several Classes in them should be examined in Public, in the public Hall, what Progress they have made in the Knowledge of those Languages and Arts in which they have been

guarum vel artium cognitione quibus studuerint, vel studere debuerint. Examinatores sunt Præses & Magistri; Pastores quoque vel alii quicumque viri docti, qui examinationibus istis interesse dignabuntur.

Quandoquidem proventus annui collegii in præsens tenuiores sunt quam ut omnibus supra constitutis salariis, cæterisque necessariis expendendis pares esse possint, multa discretioni gubernatorum Collegii de tempore in tempus relinquenda sunt, ut pro præsentis Collegii Statu quædam salaria Professoris sc. *Hæbrei* & *Hypodidascali* grammaticalis prorsus rescindant; aliorum vero Professorum & Magistrorum, secundum operis & residentiæ proportionem pro tempore minuant. Auctioribus vero Collegii proventibus plene & tempestive solvantur.

Nos infra subscripti *Jacobus Blair*, & *Stephanus Fouace*, Clerici, constituentes majorem partem fiduciariorum superviventium pro Academia *Gulielmi & Mariæ*, in *Virginia*, considerata necessitate condendi Statuta pro bona regimine ejusdem Collegii, prædicta

been studying or should have studied. Let the Examiners be the President and Masters; and likewise the Ministers, or any other learned Men that please to afford their Company at these Examinations.

For as much as the yearly Income of the College at present is so small, that it cannot answer all the above appointed Salaries, and the other Things that there will be Occasion to expend; many Things are from Time to Time to be left to the Discretion of the Governors of the College; that according to the Circumstances of the College, for the Time being, they may entirely cut off some Salaries, particularly those of the Hebrew Professor, and the Usher of the Grammar School; and for a Time may lessen the Salaries of some other Professors and Masters, in Proportion to their Service and Residence. But when the College Revenues increase, and will bear it, they are all to be fully and timely paid.

We the Subscribers James Blair, and Stephen Fouace, Clerks, being the major Part of the surviving Trustees for the College of William and Mary, in Virginia, having considered the Necessity there was to make Statutes for the good Government of the said College, do approve and confirm the aforesaid Statutes

prædicta Statuta duodecem superscriptis paginis contenta sub manu & Sigillis nostris approbamus & confirmamus, eademque Sigillo Academiæ muniri volumus: Reservata tamen potestate quæ per chartam fundatoriam concessa est Visitatoribus & Gubernatoribus ejusdem Collegii ut debite procedentes nova Statuta addant, aut hæc ipsa immutent, prout res & occasio de tempore in tempus requirent. In quibus tamen præsertim de rebus arduis & majoris momenti consilium Cancellarii prius adhibendum esse arbitramur. Dat. *Londini* 24 die *Junii*, Anno Domini millesimo septingentesimo vigesimo septimo.

Jacobus Blair.

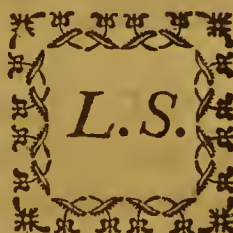


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*Statutes contained in the *Twelve above written Pages; and appoint them to be passed under the College Seal. Reserving notwithstanding the Power given by the Charter to the Visitors and Governors of the same College, namely, that proceeding regularly they may add new Statutes, or may even change these, as their Affairs and Circumstances from Time to Time shall require. As to which nevertheless, especially in the arduous Affairs of great Weight and Moment, we are of Opinion that the Chancellor's Advice should be first taken. Dated at London, the 24th Day of June, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Seven.*

James Blair.



Stephen Fouace.



* The Original is in Twelve great Sheets, under the College Seal.

The following Regulations made by the Visitors were ordered to be printed immediately after the Statutes.

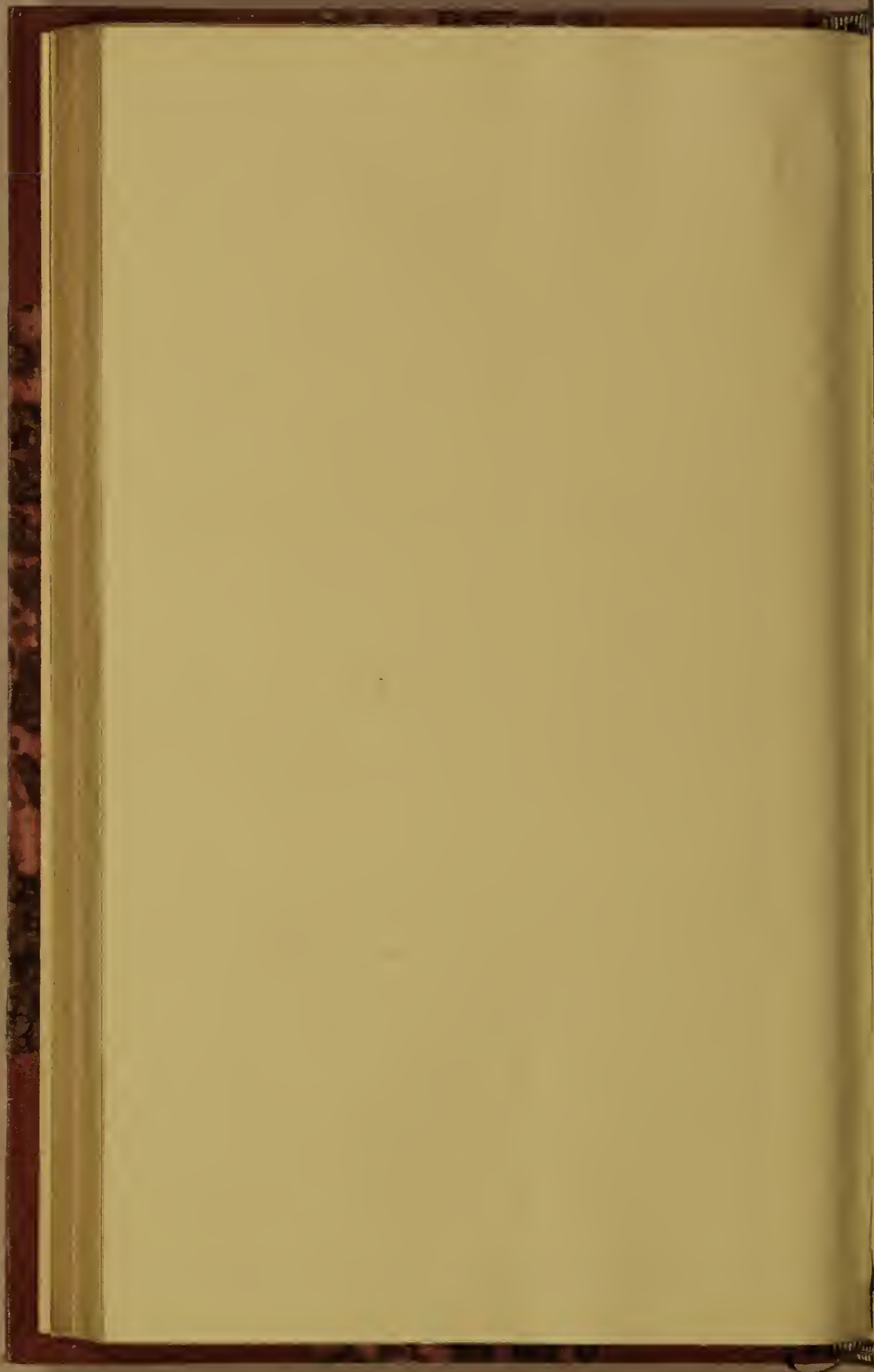
I. *T*HAT all the Masters resident at the College do attend their respective Schools Day by Day (the usual Holidays and Vacation Times excepted.) And that the Divinity Professor do reside in the College.

II. That the President and Masters be directed to keep up a strict Discipline among the Scholars.

III. That no Repairs be made without the Consent of the President and Masters, and a Warrant to the Bursar for defraying the Charge thereof: Nor any Invoices made out without the like Consent.

IV. That each of the Masters, and Usber, do provide Firing and Candles for their Chambers, at their own Expence. That they respectively pay Fifty Shillings per Annum for their Washing, if they wash in the College. That the Masters and Scholars keeping waiting Boys pay Five Pounds per Annum for their Board.

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